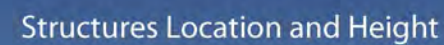
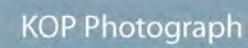
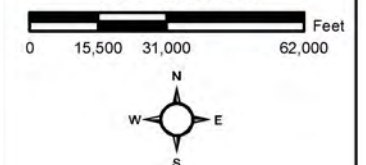
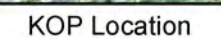
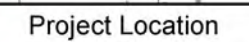


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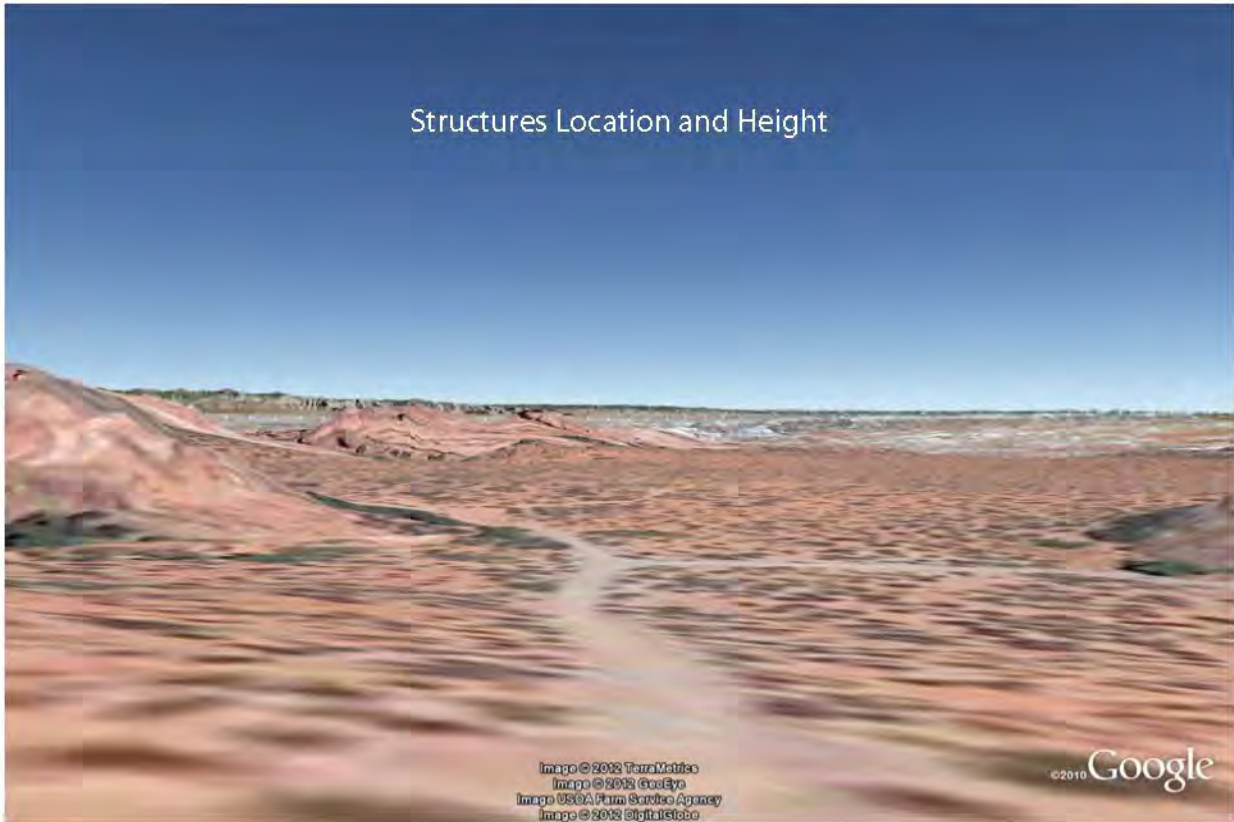
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KOP ANP-1
Arches National Park
Devil's Garden Campground
(Segment 220.1)





KOP Photograph



Structures Location and Height

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BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
VISUAL CONTRAST RATING WORKSHEET

Date 07/26/2011

District Moab FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
ANP-2

3. VRM Class
III

4. Location
Arches NP
Landscape Arch Tr.
Township 23S
Range 21E
Section 27

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Red rock formations. Planar ridgeline. Irregular and rounded background mesas.	Scattered clumps of trees, grasses and forbs.	Foreground trail.
LINE	Irregular ridgeline.	Irregular edges of trees, shrubs and grasses.	Curvilinear.
COLOR	Red rocks. Light to medium light to medium red, brown and grey rock and soil.	Light tan to medium and dark olive greens and browns.	Light to medium reddish tan.
TEXTURE	Smooth rock to coarse landforms.	Smooth, moderate and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)				
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)								
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Elements	Form																	
	Line																	
	Color																	
	Texture																	

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended
☐ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

Evaluator's Names
M. Paulson

Date
07/22/2011

Rationale:

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Project Location



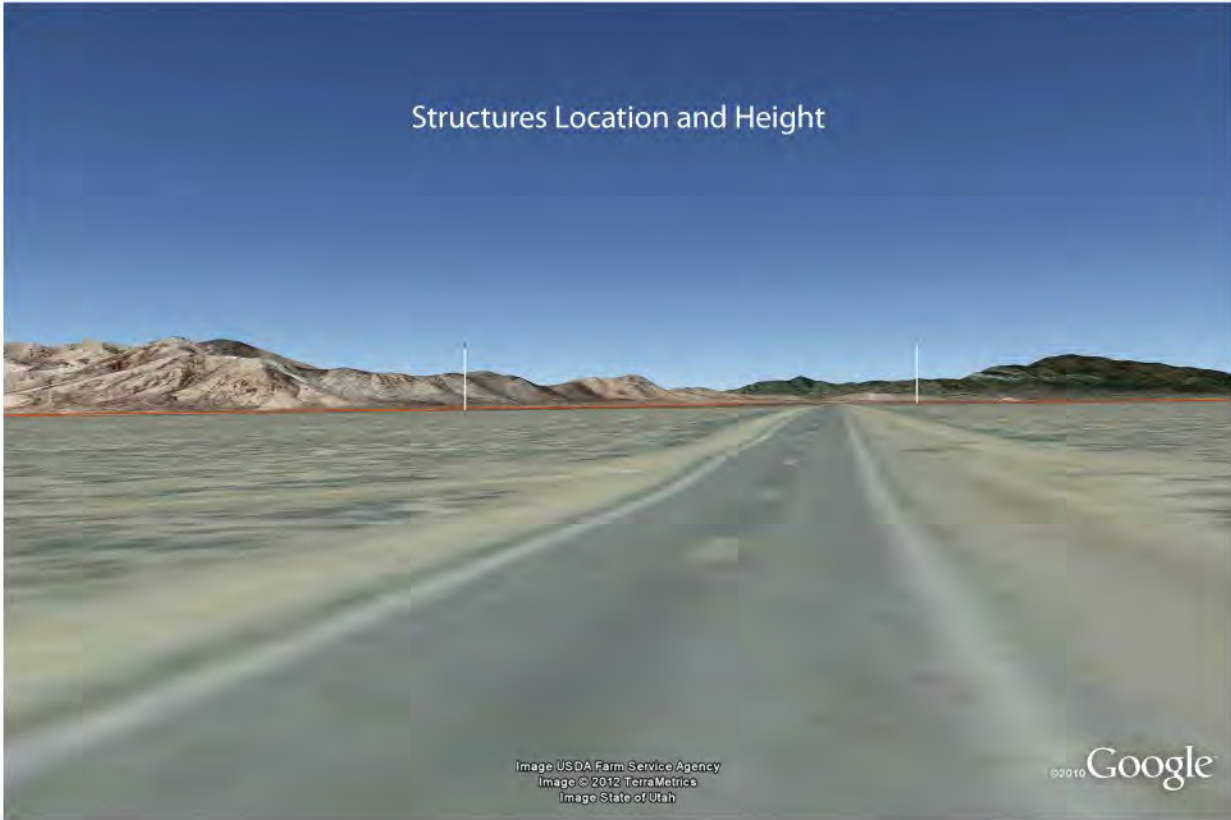
KOP Location



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KOP ANP-2
Arches National Park
Landscape Arch Trail
(Segment 220.1)





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Date 08/19/2011

District Cedar City FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name TransWest Express	4. Location <u>Utah SH 21</u> (<u>westbound</u>) Township <u>T28S</u> Range <u>R11W</u> Section <u>2</u>	5. Location Sketch Please see Figure 3.12-3
2. Key Observation Point CC-1		
3. VRM Class IV		

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Angular mountains and wide valley floor.	Planar blanket of sagebrush and grasses.	Planar roadway lanes. Pyramidal steel lattice t-line.
LINE	Horizontal valley and angular ridgelines.	Irregular sagebrush and grass patterns.	Vertical t-lines, utility poles and fence posts. Curvilinear conductors.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan.	Light to medium silvery green sagebrush and light tan grasses.	Light to medium grey and brown t-lines and fence posts.
TEXTURE	Smooth landforms.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING ☐ SHORT TERM ☒ LONG TERM

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	Texture												X			
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Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

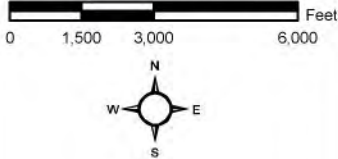
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Project Location



KOP Location



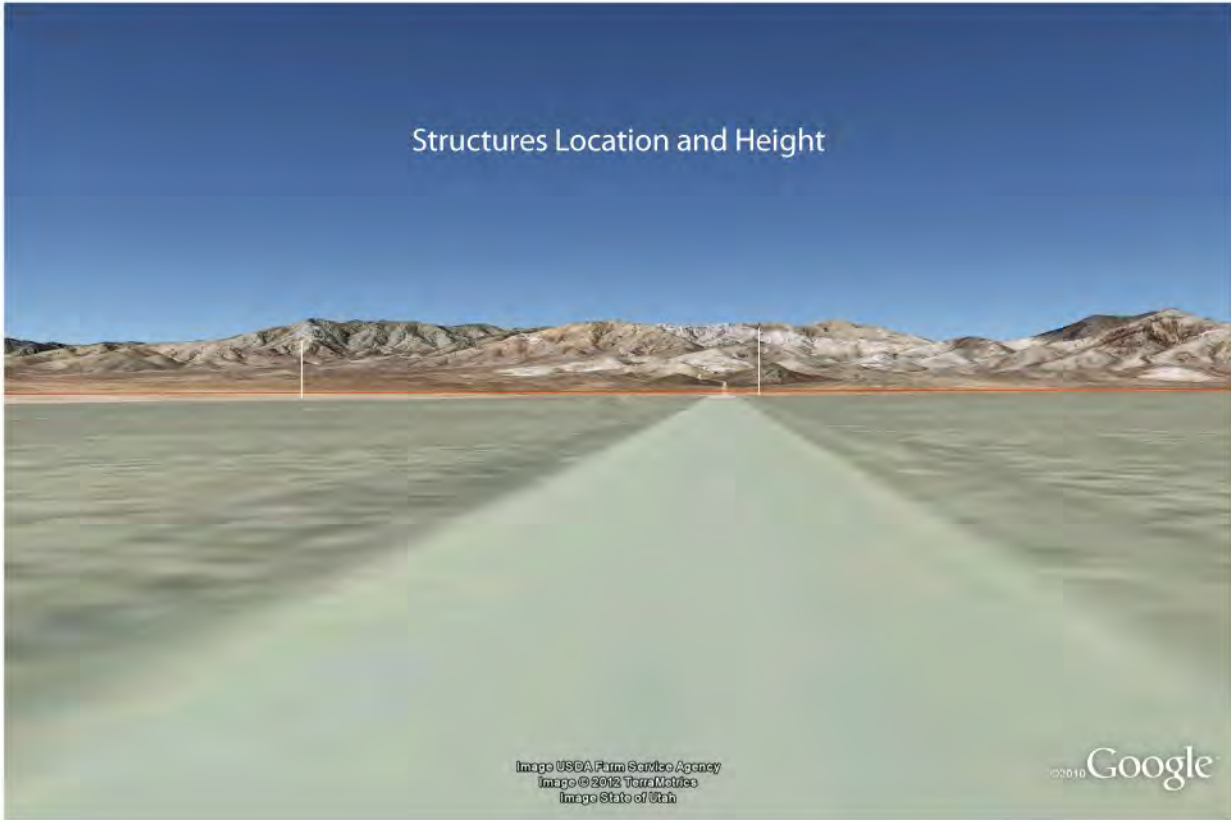
TRANSWEST EXPRESS
TRANSMISSION PROJECT

KOP CC-1
Utah State Highway 21
(westbound)
(Segment 480)





KOP Photograph



Structures Location and Height

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Date 08/19/2011

District Cedar City FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
CC-2

3. VRM Class
IV (VRM Class IV)

4. Location
Milford
Recreation Rd. (WB)
Township 28S
Range 11W
Section 11

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-3

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

2. VEGETATION

3. STRUCTURES

FORM	Angular mountains and wide valley floor.	Planar blanket of grasses with scattered clumps of sagebrush.	Planar roadway. Pyramidal steel lattice t-line.
LINE	Horizontal valley and angular ridgelines.	Irregular grass patterns.	Vertical t-line and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan.	Light to medium silvery green sagebrush and light tan grasses.	Light, medium and dark grey t-line.
TEXTURE	Smooth landforms.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

2. VEGETATION

3. STRUCTURES

FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
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TEXTURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

SHORT TERM

LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST

FEATURES

2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? Yes No (Explain on reverse side)

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended Yes No (Explain on reverse side)

Elements	Form	LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)				Evaluator's Names M. Paulson	Date 08/19/2011
		Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None		

Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.



Project Location



KOP Location

0 1,450 2,900 5,800 Feet



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TRANSMISSION PROJECT

KOP CC-2
Milford Recreation Road
(westbound)
(Segment 480)





KOP Photograph



Structures Location and Height

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Date 08/19/2011

District Cedar City FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
CC-3

3. VRM Class
IV

4. Location
Milford
Recreation Rd. (WB)
Township 30S
Range 12W
Section 31

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-3

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Angular mountains and wide valley floor.	Planar blanket of sagebrush with scattered clumps of grasses.	Planar roadway. Pyramidal steel lattice t-line. Low-lying agricultural buildings
LINE	Horizontal valley and angular ridgelines.	Irregular sagebrush and grass patterns.	Vertical t-line and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan.	Light to medium silvery green sagebrush and light tan grasses.	Light, medium and dark grey t-line and buildings.
TEXTURE	Smooth landforms.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
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SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

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Evaluator's Names
M. Paulson

Date
08/19/2011

Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

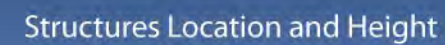
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Project Location

KOP Location

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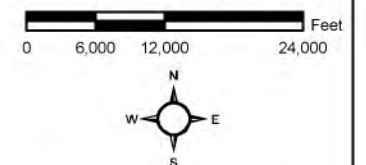
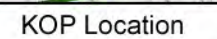
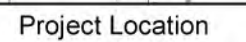
KOP CC-3
Milford Recreation Road
(westbound)
(Segment 480)



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Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

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KOP CC-4
Near Lund Recreation Rd.
(northbound)
(Segment 480)

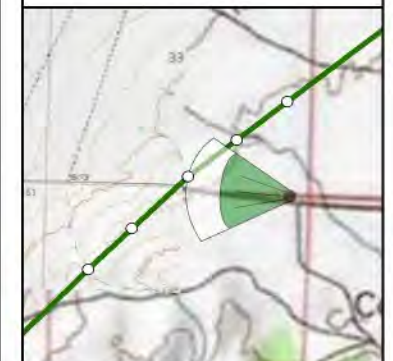




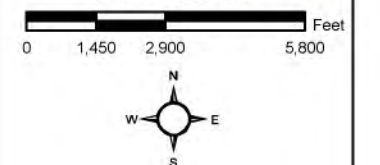
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SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION																				Resource Area							
1. Project Name TransWest Express												4. Location <u>East</u> <u>Antelope Rd. (WB)</u> Township <u>35S</u> Range <u>14W</u> Section <u>5</u>				5. Location Sketch Please see Figure 3.12-3											
2. Key Observation Point CC-5																											
3. VRM Class IV																											
SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION																											
1. LAND/WATER						2. VEGETATION						3. STRUCTURES															
FORM	Angular mountains and wide valley floor.					Planar blanket of grasses with scattered clumps of PJ and sagebrush.					Planar roadway. Pyramidal steel lattice t-line. Planar h-Frames. Indistinct ranch buildings.																
LINE	Horizontal valley and angular ridgelines.					Irregular PJ, sagebrush and grass patterns.					Vertical and horizontal t-line and curvilinear conductors. Horizontal, meandering roadway.																
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan.					Light to medium silvery green sagebrush, dark green PJ and light tan and medium green grasses.					Light, medium and dark grey and dark brown t-lines and light grey buildings.																
TEXTURE	Smooth landforms.					Smooth, medium and coarse.					Smooth to medium.																
SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION																											
1. LAND/WATER						2. VEGETATION						3. STRUCTURES															
FORM											Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.																
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TEXTURE											Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.																
SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING																											
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Project Location



KOP Location



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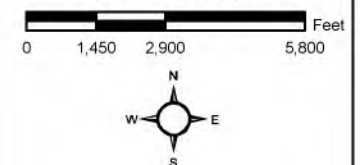
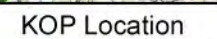
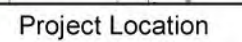
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East Antelope Road
(westbound)
(Segment 500.02)





Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

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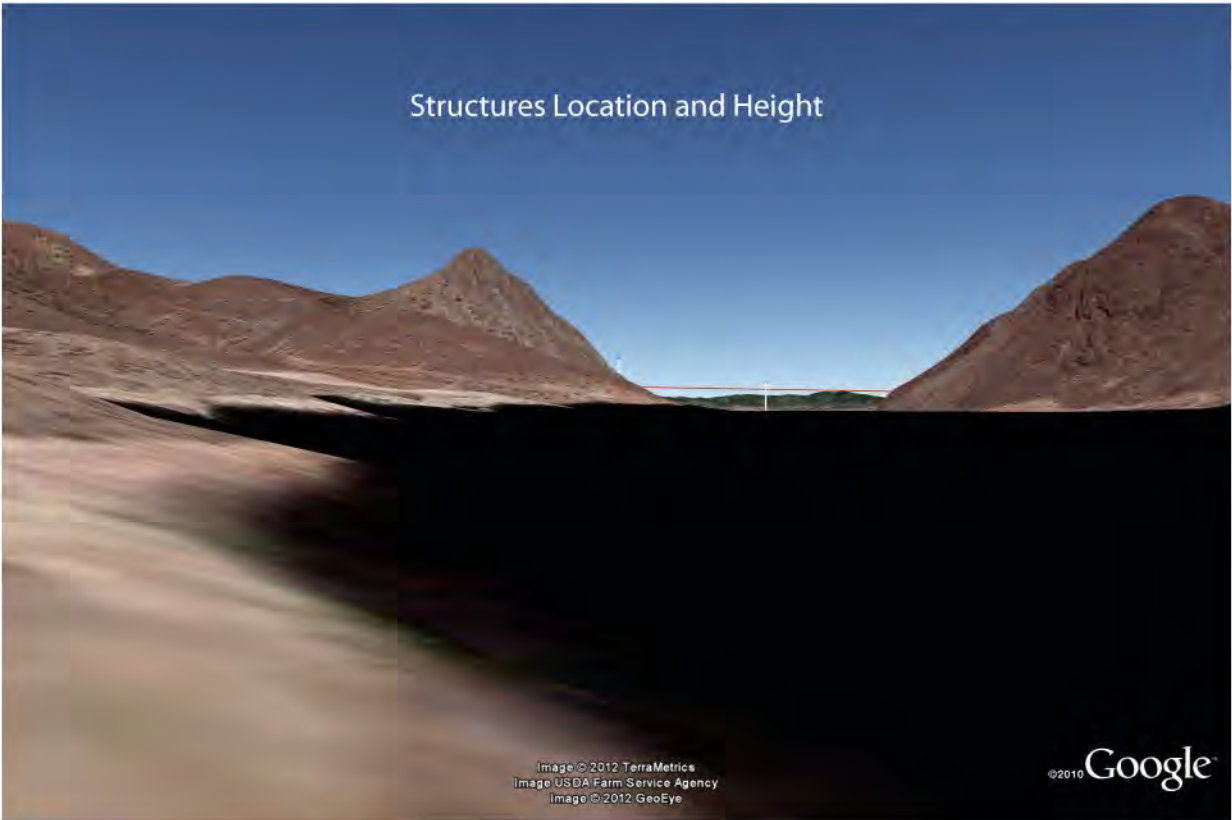
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TRANSMISSION PROJECT**

KOP CC-6
Utah State Highway 56
(westbound)
(Segment 506.00)





KOP Photograph



Structures Location and Height

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Date 08/19/2011

District Cedar City FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
CC-7

3. VRM Class
III

4. Location Newcastle
Reservoir Boat Launch

Township 36S

Range 15W

Section 22

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-3

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

Planar dam. Angular mountains.
Horizontal water form.

2. VEGETATION

FORM

Planar blanket of grasses and shrubs, with
scattered clumps of PJ.

3. STRUCTURES

FORM

Cylindrical utility poles. Planar dam
structure.

1. LAND/WATER

LINE

Horizontal water and dam, and
angular ridgelines.

2. VEGETATION

LINE

Irregular PJ, deciduous trees, sagebrush
and grass patterns.

3. STRUCTURES

LINE

Vertical utility poles. Horizontal dam
structure.

1. LAND/WATER

COLOR

Blue water. Light to medium to dark
grayish tan and brown rock
formations and dam structure..

2. VEGETATION

COLOR

Dark green PJ and light tan and medium
green shrubs.

3. STRUCTURES

COLOR

Light to medium to dark grayish tan and
brown dam structure. Dark brown utility
poles.

1. LAND/WATER

TEXTURE

Smooth water and smooth, medium,
and coarse landforms.

2. VEGETATION

TEXTURE

Smooth, medium and coarse.

3. STRUCTURES

TEXTURE

Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

2. VEGETATION

FORM

3. STRUCTURES

FORM

Pyramidal steel lattice structures and
guys, and tubular conductors.

1. LAND/WATER

LINE

2. VEGETATION

LINE

3. STRUCTURES

LINE

Vertical steel lattice structures, angular
guys, and curvilinear conductors.

1. LAND/WATER

COLOR

2. VEGETATION

COLOR

3. STRUCTURES

COLOR

Light silver to dark grey steel lattice
structures, guys, and conductors.

1. LAND/WATER

TEXTURE

2. VEGETATION

TEXTURE

3. STRUCTURES

TEXTURE

Coarse steel lattice structures, and
smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

SHORT TERM

LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST

LAND/WATER BODY (1)

VEGETATION (2)

STRUCTURES (3)

2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? Yes No (Explain on reverse side)

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended Yes No (Explain on reverse side)

Elements

Form

Line

Color

Texture

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

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X

Evaluator's Names
M. Paulson

Date
08/19/2011

Rationale:
Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would comply with VRM Class III management objects. Contrasts in these situations would be moderate or weak. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

A map of the southwestern United States showing the states of Idaho, Nevada, Utah, Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado, and Wyoming. A blue dot is placed in southern Utah, indicating the project location. The map also shows major rivers and highways.

Project Location

A topographic map showing the Newcastle Reservoir area. The map includes contour lines, roads, and other geographical features. A green line indicates the project alignment, and a specific point is marked as the KOP location.

KOP Location

A scale bar showing distances in feet: 0, 1,450, 2,900, and 5,800. Below the scale bar is a compass rose with cardinal directions: North (N), South (S), East (E), and West (W).

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TRANSMISSION PROJECT

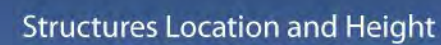
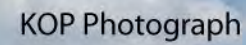
KOP CC-7
Newcastle Reservoir
Boat Launch
(Segment 500.05)

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The logo for the Western Area Power Administration, featuring a stylized mountain and the text "Western AREA POWER ADMINISTRATION".

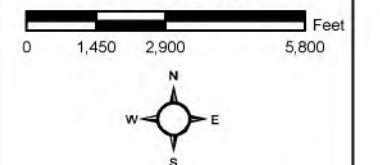
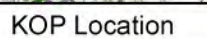
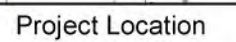
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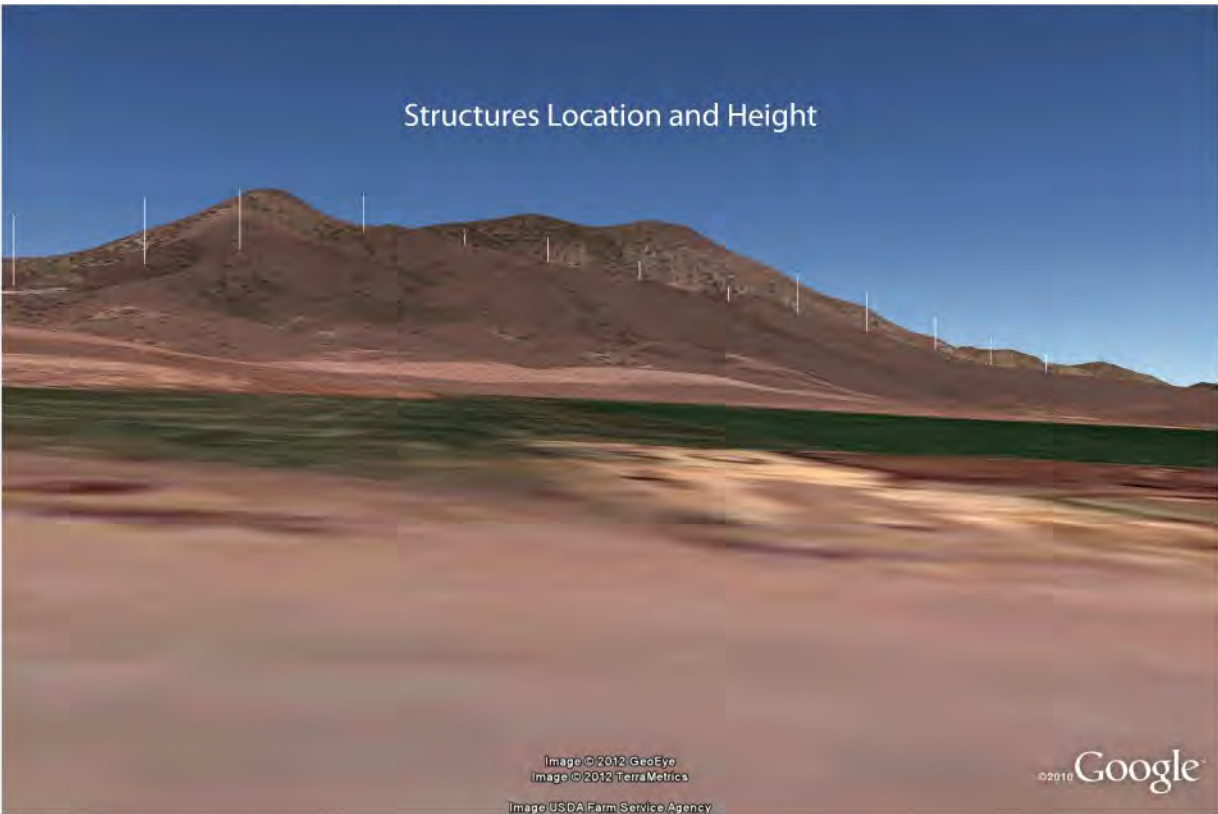
TRANSWEST EXPRESS
TRANSMISSION PROJECT

KOP CC-8
Utah State Hwy 56
(eastbound)
(Segment 500.05)





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Visual Contrast Rating Worksheet

Date 08/19/2011

District Cedar City FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
CC-9

3. VRM Class
III

4. Location Newcastle
Residential
Township 36S
Range 15W
Section 16

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-3

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Angular mountains, rock formations, and rolling foothills.	Scattered clumps of PJ, shrubs, and blanket of grasses.	Pyramidal steel lattice t-line. Planar h-Frames. Cylindrical fence posts.
LINE	Angular ridgelines.	Irregular PJ, sagebrush and grass patterns.	Vertical and horizontal t-line and curvilinear conductors. Vertical fence posts.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey..	Dark green PJ and light tan grasses and medium silvery green sagebrush.	Light, medium and dark grey and dark brown t-lines. Light to medium grey fence posts.
TEX-TURE	Smooth to medium landforms.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX-TURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST	FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	
	LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)					
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Line													X	
Color													X	
Texture													X	

Rationale:
Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would comply with VRM Class III management objects. Contrasts in these situations would be moderate or weak. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

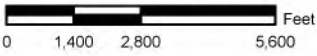
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Project Location



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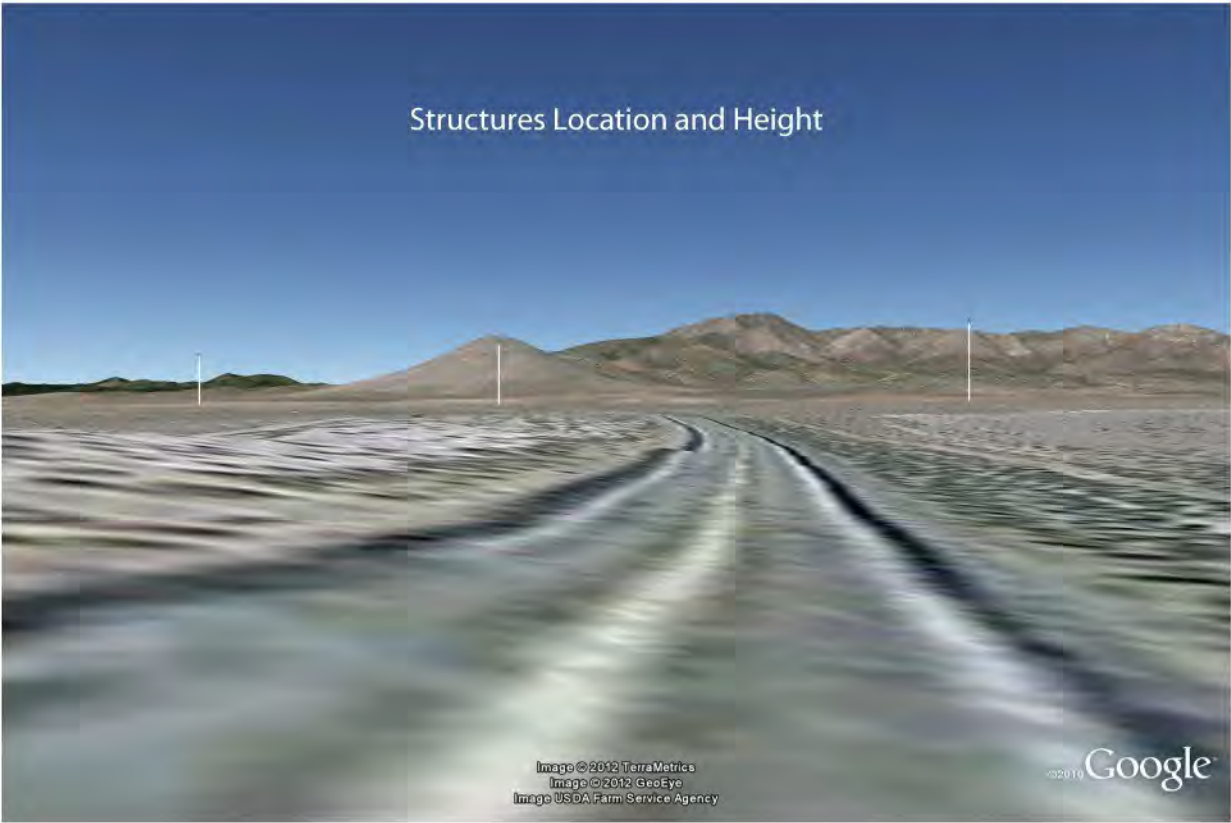
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TRANSMISSION PROJECT

KOP CC-9
Newcastle Residential
(Segment 500.05)





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Visual Contrast Rating Worksheet

Date 08/19/2011
District Cedar City FO
Resource Area
Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
CC-10

3. VRM Class
IV (VRM Class IV)

4. Location Utah SH 56
(WB)
Township 34S
Range 18W
Section 31

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-3

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Angular mountains, rock formations, and rolling foothills.	Scattered clumps of PJ, shrubs, and blanket of grasses.	Pyramidal steel lattice t-line. Planar h-Frames. Cylindrical fence posts.
LINE	Angular ridgelines.	Irregular PJ, sagebrush and grass patterns.	Vertical and horizontal t-line and curvilinear conductors. Vertical fence posts.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey..	Dark green PJ and light tan grasses and medium silvery green sagebrush.	Light, medium and dark grey and dark brown t-lines. Light to medium grey fence posts.
TEX- TURE	Smooth to medium landforms.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST	FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)				
	LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)								
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	Line												X				
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	Texture																

Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

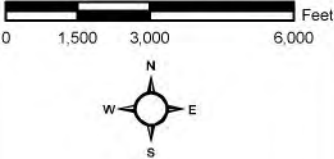
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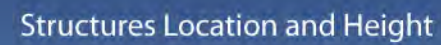
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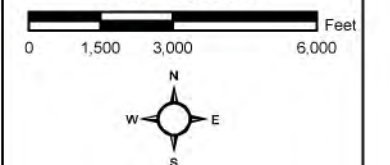
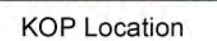
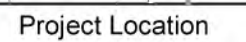
KOP CC-10
Utah State Highway 56
(westbound)
(Segment 490.05)





Rationale:
Where the Project would be located within 0.5 miles of the viewer and does not parallel an existing transmission line and/or where access roads and vegetation clearing would occur in moderate to steep terrain, it would have a strong contrast and would not comply with VRM Class III management objectives. Mitigation measures (VR-1 and VR-7) would reduce strong contrasts to moderate resulting in moderate to low residual impacts where the Project is located more than 0.5 miles away from viewer locations.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.



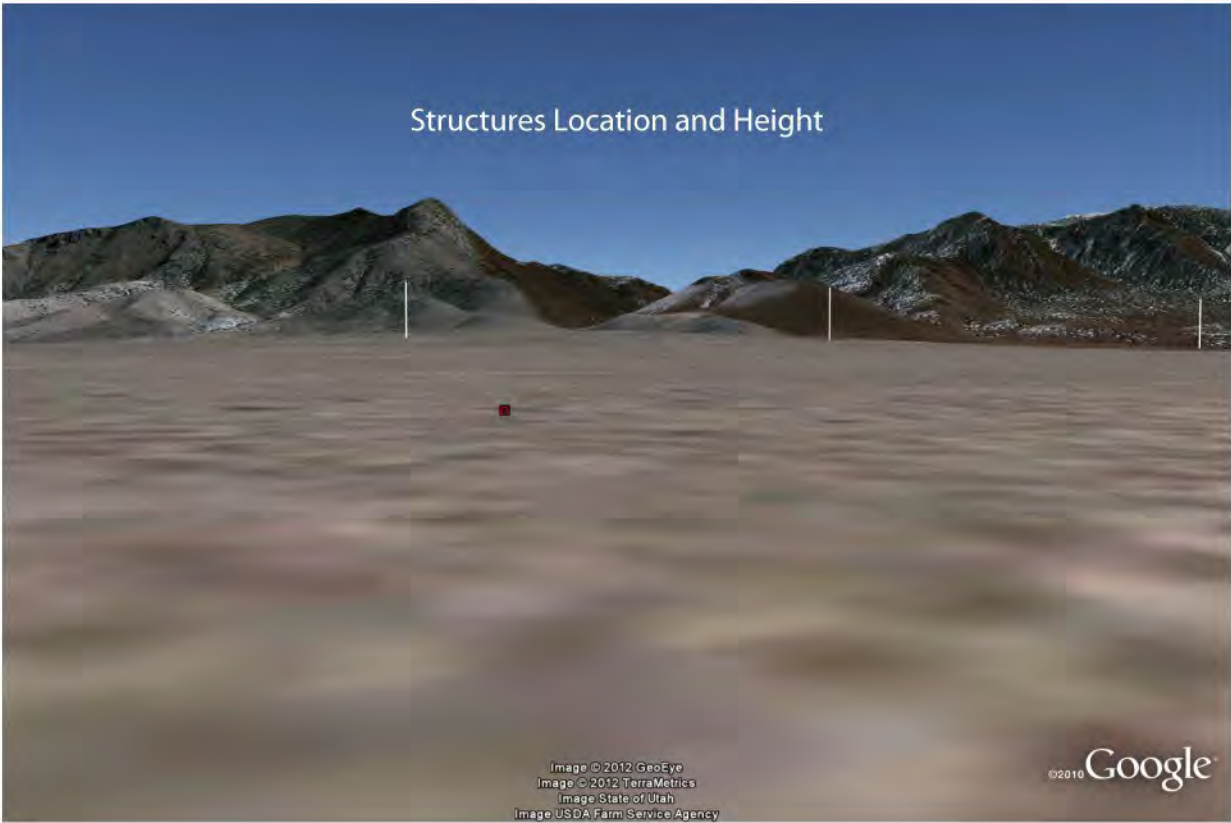
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KOP CC-11
Utah State Hwy 56
(eastbound)
(Segment 490.05)





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VISUAL CONTRAST RATING WORKSHEET

Date 08/19/2011

District Cedar City FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
CC-12

3. VRM Class
IV

4. Location Recreation
Road near Antelope Spr.
Township 35S
Range 15W
Section 14

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-3

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Angular and rounded mountains, rolling foothills, and planar valley.	Scattered clumps of PJ, shrubs, and blanket of grasses.	Pyramidal steel lattice t-line. Planar H-frames.
LINE	Angular and curvilinear ridgelines and horizontal valley..	Irregular PJ, sagebrush and grass patterns.	Vertical and horizontal t-line and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey..	Dark green PJ and light tan grasses and medium silvery green sagebrush.	Light, medium and dark grey and dark brown t-lines.
TEX- TURE	Smooth to medium landforms.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING ☐ SHORT TERM ☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)		
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)					3. Additional mitigating measures recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	
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Elements	Form															Evaluator's Names M. Paulson Date 08/19/2011
	Line															
	Color															
	Texture															

Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

A map of the state of Utah showing its county boundaries. A green line traces a path through the state, representing the proposed transmission line route. A blue dot is placed on the route in the southern part of the state, indicating the location of the Key Observation Point (KOP) near Cedar City.

A detailed topographic map of the area around the KOP. It shows contour lines, elevation, and the proposed transmission line route. A green line with white dots represents the line and tower locations. A green shaded area indicates the specific location of the KOP. The map includes labels for nearby features like 'Chloride' and 'Antelope Springs'.

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KOP CC-12
Recreation Road
near Antelope Springs
(Segment 500.02)

The official logo of the Bureau of Land Management, featuring a stylized mountain, river, and tree within a shield shape.

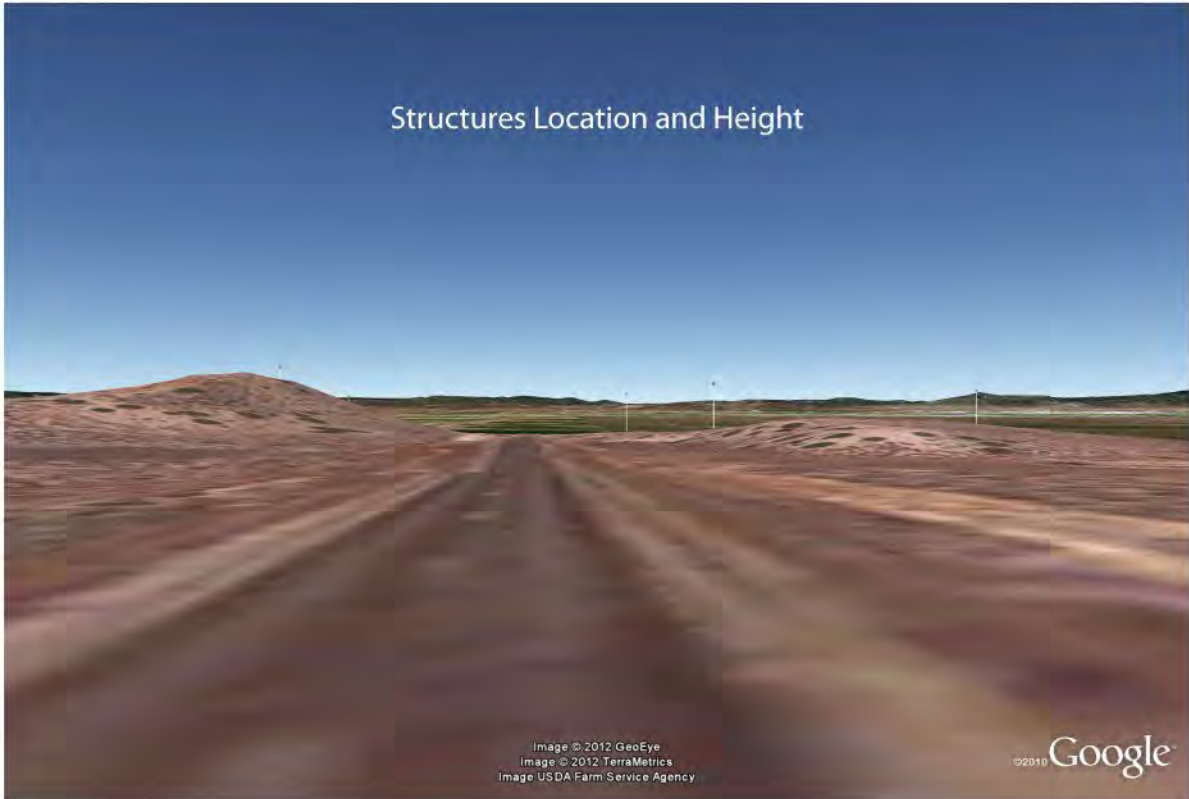
The logo for the Western Area Power Administration, featuring a stylized mountain and the text 'Western AREA POWER ADMINISTRATION'.

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VISUAL CONTRAST RATING WORKSHEET

Date 08/07/2012

District Cedar City FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
CC-13

3. VRM Class
IV (VRI Class IV)

4. Location Utah SH 56
(WB)
Township 36S
Range 15W
Section 14

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-3

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Angular mountains and wide valley floor.	Planar blanket of grasses with scattered clumps of PJ, deciduous trees and shrubs.	Planar roadway. Pyramidal steel lattice t-line. Planar h-Frames. Indistinct Newcastle buildings.
LINE	Horizontal valley and angular ridgelines.	Irregular PJ, deciduous trees, sagebrush and grass patterns.	Vertical and horizontal t-line and curvilinear conductors. Horizontal, rolling roadway.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan.	Dark green PJ, deciduous trees, and light tan and medium green grasses.	Light, medium and dark grey and dark brown t-lines and light to medium grey buildings.
TEX-TURE	Smooth landforms.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark gray steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX-TURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)		
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)						
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	Texture													X		
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Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

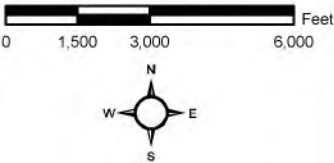
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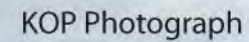
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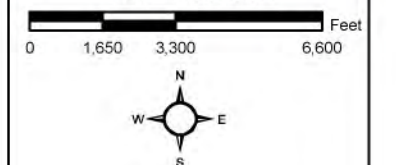
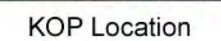
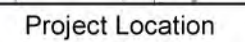
KOP CC-13
Utah SH 56
(westbound)
(Segment 506)





Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.



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KOP CC-14
Newcastle Reservoir
Dam Overlook
(Segment 500.05)





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VISUAL CONTRAST RATING WORKSHEET

Date 05/30/2012
District Dinosaur National Monument
Resource Area
Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION
1. Project Name TransWest Express
2. Key Observation Point DNM-1
3. VRM Class NA
4. Location Dinosaur Nat. Mon. Entry Township 3N Range 103W Section 10
5. Location Sketch Please see Figure 3.12-1

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Planar rolling and angular ridges. Angular side slopes.	Organic clumps of pinon-juniper, rabbit brush, sagebrush and grasses.	Planar roadway, columnar light standard, pyramidal 345-kV transmission line structure and columnar H-frame poles.
LINE	Strong angular lines of ridges and skyline. Angular side slopes.	Indistinct pinon-juniper, sagebrush, rabbit brush and linear roadside grasses.	Linear horizontal roadway and vertical light standard, transmission line, H-frame and markers.
COLOR	Very light, medium, and dark tan to brown landforms.	Dark olive green pinon-juniper and medium olive green sagebrush. Golden tan to brown rabbit brush and grasses.	Light to medium grey roadway and darker light standard, and transmission line. Light tan to brown H-frame.
TEXTURE	Smooth to moderate landforms.	Coarse pinon-juniper, rabbit brush and sagebrush. Smooth to coarse grasses.	Smooth to medium roadway, light standard, transmission line, H-frame and markers.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Strongly pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Course steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)		
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)				3. Additional mitigating measures recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)		
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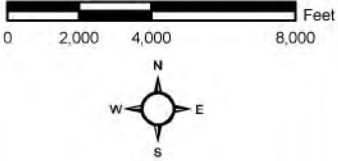
Rationale:
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Project Location



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KOP DNM-1
Dinosaur National
Monument (Entry)
(Segment 210)

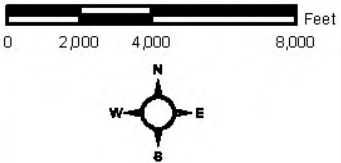




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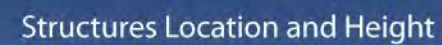
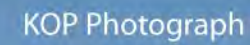
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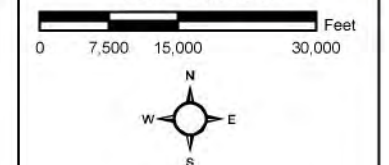
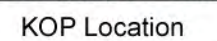
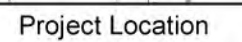
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KOP DNM-1
Simulated Condition
(Segment 210)





Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.



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KOP DNM-2
Dinosaur National
Monument (Overlook)
(Segments 210, 211, 214)

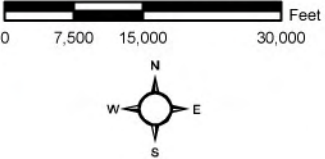




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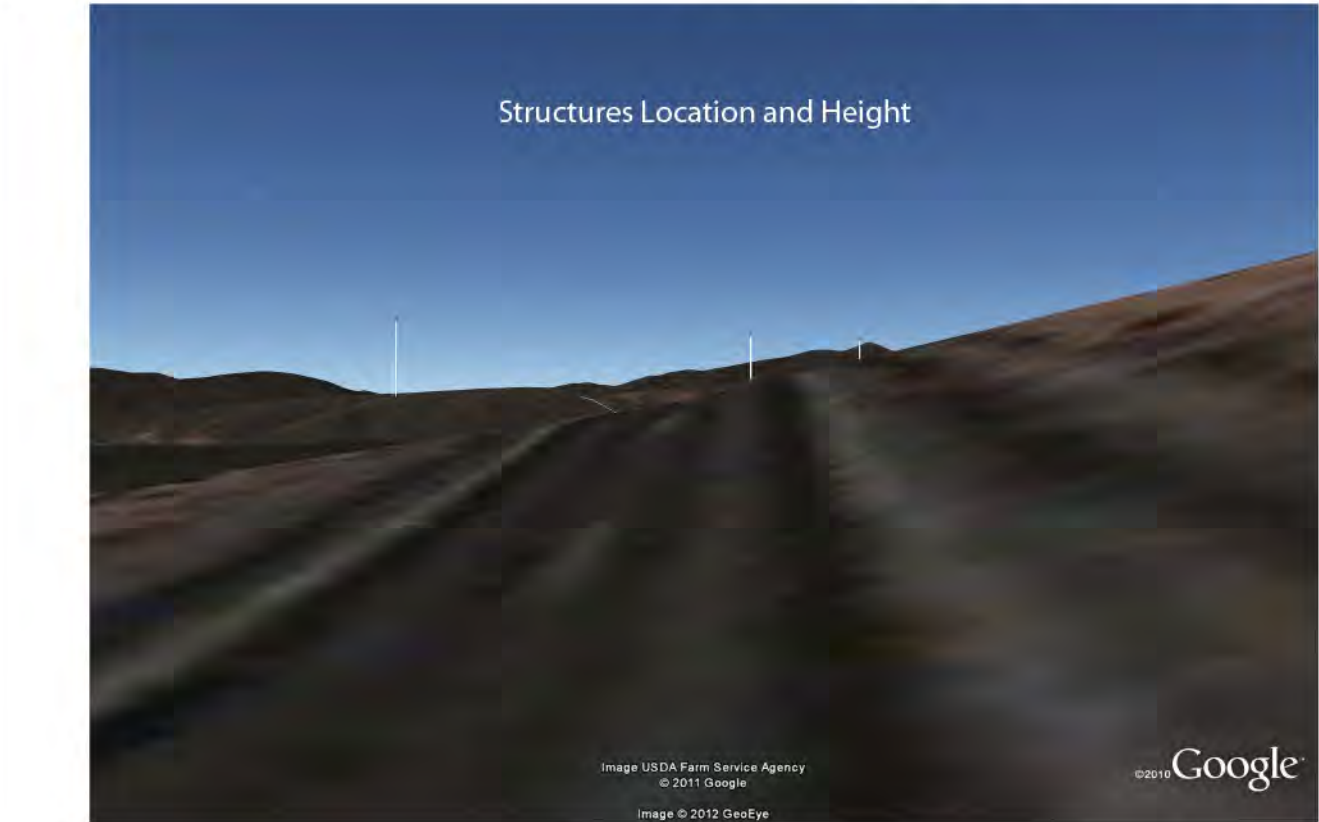
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TRANSMISSION PROJECT**

KOP DNM-2
Simulated Condition
(Segment 210, 211, 214)





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VISUAL CONTRAST RATING WORKSHEET

Date 09/08/2011

District Ely DO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
E-6

3. VRM Class
III

4. Location U.S. 93 (SB)
Township 03S
Range 67E
Section 22

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-3

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM
Undulating planar land form. Angular background mountains and rock formations.

LINE
Horizontal foreground ridgeline and angular ridgelines and rock formations.

COLOR
Light to medium reddish tan and grey..

TEX-
TURE
Smooth to medium landform.

2. VEGETATION

Blanket of shrubs. Clumps of PJ and grasses.

Irregular PJ, shrub and grass patterns.

Medium to dark olive green PJ. Yellowish green shrubs and tan grasses..

Smooth, medium and coarse.

3. STRUCTURES

Planar roadway and guardrails.

Curvilinear roadway and guardrails.

Medium to dark grey roadway and light to medium silvery grey guardrails.

Smooth

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

LINE

COLOR

TEX-
TURE

2. VEGETATION

3. STRUCTURES

Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.

Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.

Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.

Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

DEGREE OF CONTRAST

LAND/WATER BODY (1)

VEGETATION (2)

STRUCTURES (3)

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Form

Line

Color

Texture

X

X

X

X

2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? ☐ Yes ☒ No (Explain on reverse side)

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended ☐ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

Evaluator's Names
M. Paulson

Date
09/08/2011

Rationale:
Where the Project would be located within 0.5 miles of the viewer and does not parallel an existing transmission line and/or where access roads and vegetation clearing would occur in moderate to steep terrain, it would have a strong contrast and would not comply with VRM Class III management objectives. Mitigation measures (VR-1 and VR-7) would reduce strong contrasts to moderate resulting in moderate to low residual impacts where the Project is located more than 0.5 miles away from viewer locations.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

A map of the southwestern United States showing the states of Nevada, Utah, Colorado, Arizona, and New Mexico. A blue dot indicates the project location in Nevada. The text "Project Location" is overlaid at the bottom.

A topographic map showing the KOP location. It includes a scale bar from 0 to 5,800 feet and a north arrow. The text "KOP Location" is overlaid at the bottom.

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KOP E-6
U.S. 93 (southbound)
(Segment 520)

Logos for the Bureau of Land Management and the Western Area Power Administration.

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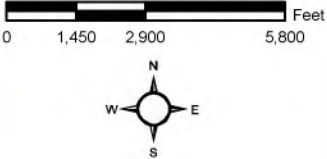
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Project Location



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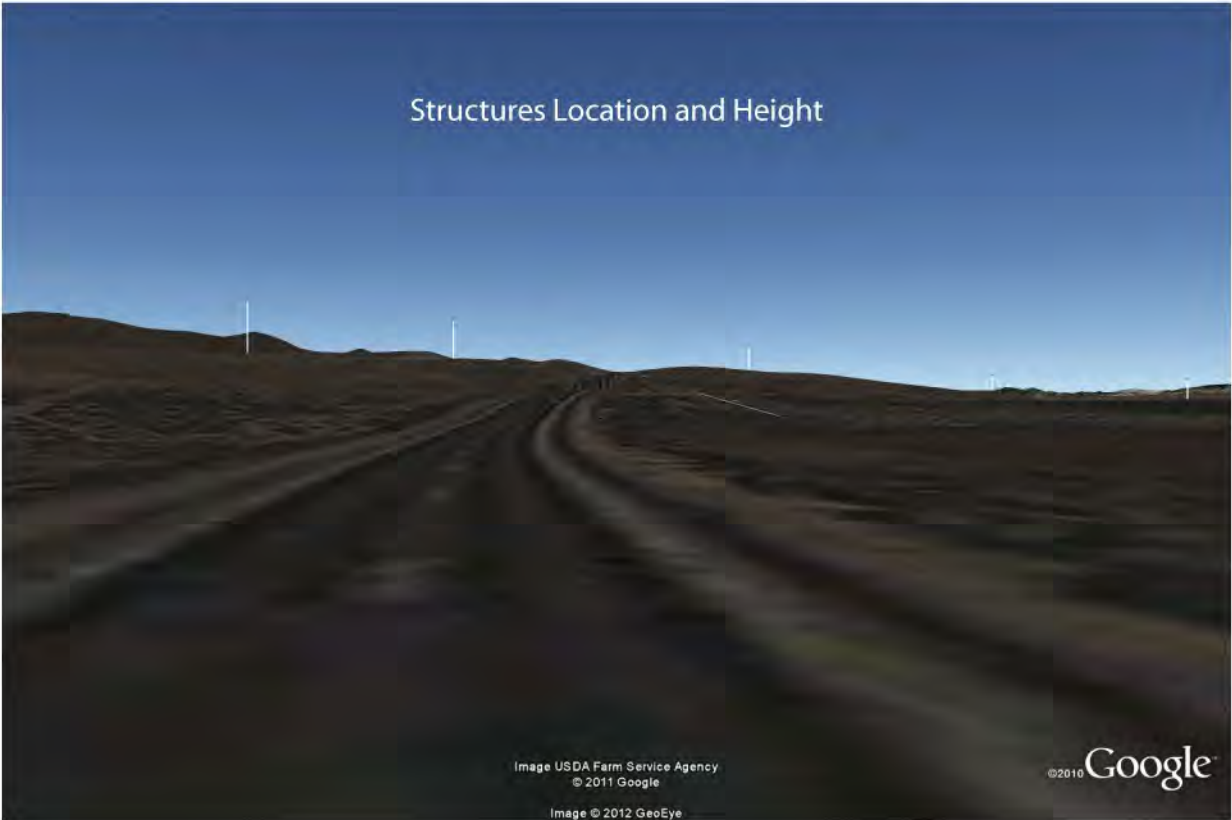
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TRANSMISSION PROJECT**

KOP E-6
Simulated Condition
(Segment 520)





KOP Photograph



Structures Location and Height

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VISUAL CONTRAST RATING WORKSHEET

Date 09/08/2011

District Ely DO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name TransWest Express	4. Location <u>U.S. 93 (SB)</u> Township <u>03S</u> Range <u>67E</u> Section <u>28</u>	5. Location Sketch Please see Figure 3.12-3
2. Key Observation Point E-7		
3. VRM Class III		

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Undulating planar land form. Angular background mountains and rock formations.	Blanket and clumps of shrubs and grasses.	Planar roadway and guardrails. Cylindrical utility pole.
LINE	Horizontal foreground ridgeline and angular ridgelines and rock formations.	Irregular shrubs and grass patterns.	Curvilinear roadway and guardrails. Vertical utility pole.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey..	Silver green shrubs and tan grasses..	Medium to dark grey roadway and light to medium silvery grey guardrails. Medium to dark brown utility pole.
TEX- TURE	Smooth to medium landform.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING ☐ SHORT TERM ☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)					
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Rationale:
Where the Project would be located within 0.5 miles of the viewer and does not parallel an existing transmission line and/or where access roads and vegetation clearing would occur in moderate to steep terrain, it would have a strong contrast and would not comply with VRM Class III management objectives. Mitigation measures (VR-1 and VR-7) would reduce strong contrasts to moderate resulting in moderate to low residual impacts where the Project is located more than 0.5 miles away from viewer locations.

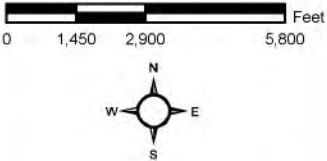
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Project Location



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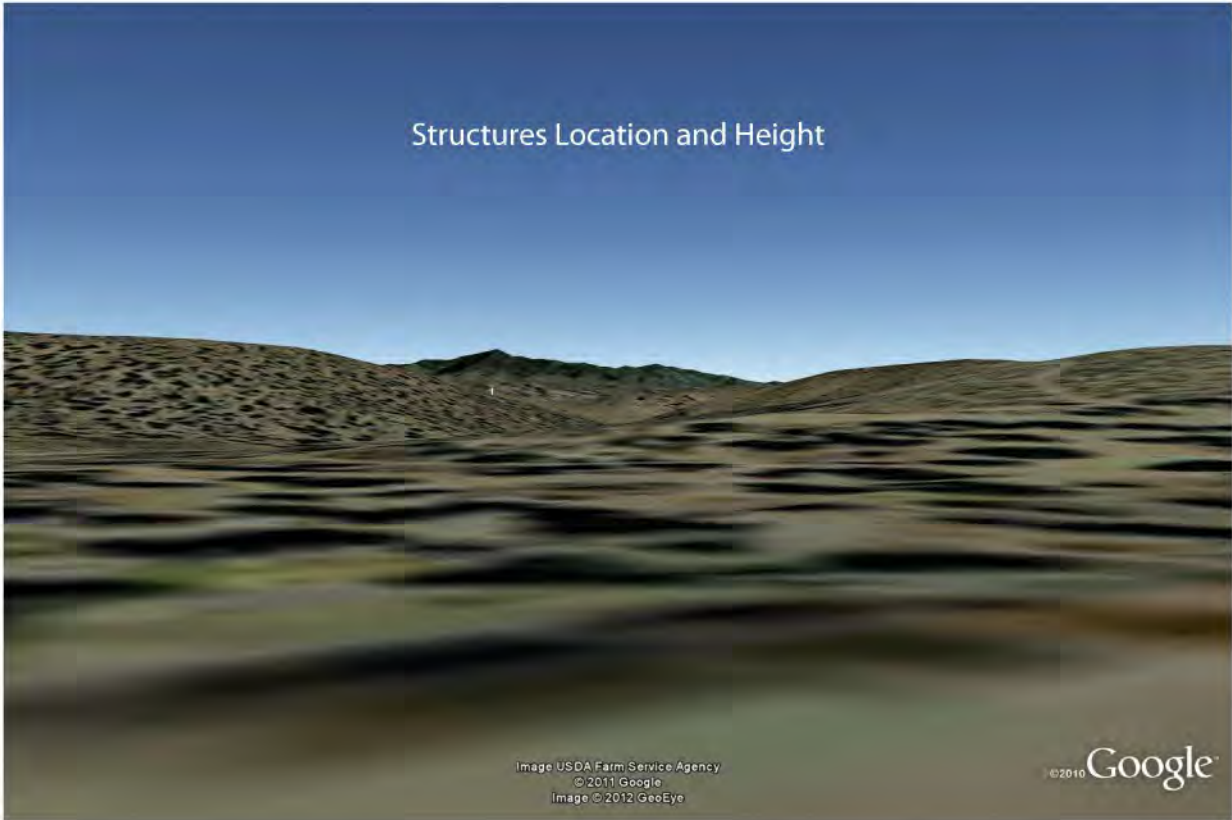
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KOP E-7
U.S. 93 (southbound)
(Segment 520)





KOP Photograph



Structures Location and Height

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Date 09/08/2011

District Ely DO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
E-8

3. VRM Class
III (VRM Class IV)

4. Location U.S. 93
Township 04S
Range 66E
Section 18

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-3

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Undulating planar land form. Angular background mountains.	Blanket of PJ. Clumps of shrubs and grasses.	Planar roadway.
LINE	Angular ridgelines.	Irregular PJ, shrub and grass patterns.	Horizontal roadway.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey..	Medium to dark olive green PJ. Silver and yellowish green shrubs and tan grasses..	Light to medium grey roadway.
TEX- TURE	Smooth to medium landform.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)			
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Rationale:
Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would comply with VRM Class III management objects. Contrasts in these situations would be moderate or weak. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

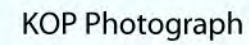
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Project Location

KOP Location

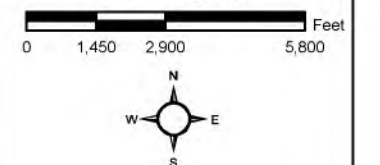
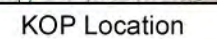
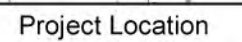
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U.S. 93
(Segment 520)



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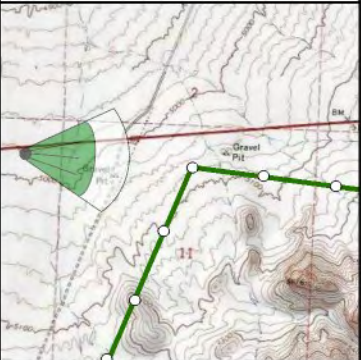
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U.S. 93 (eastbound)
(Segment 520)

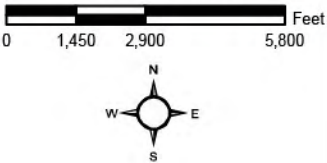




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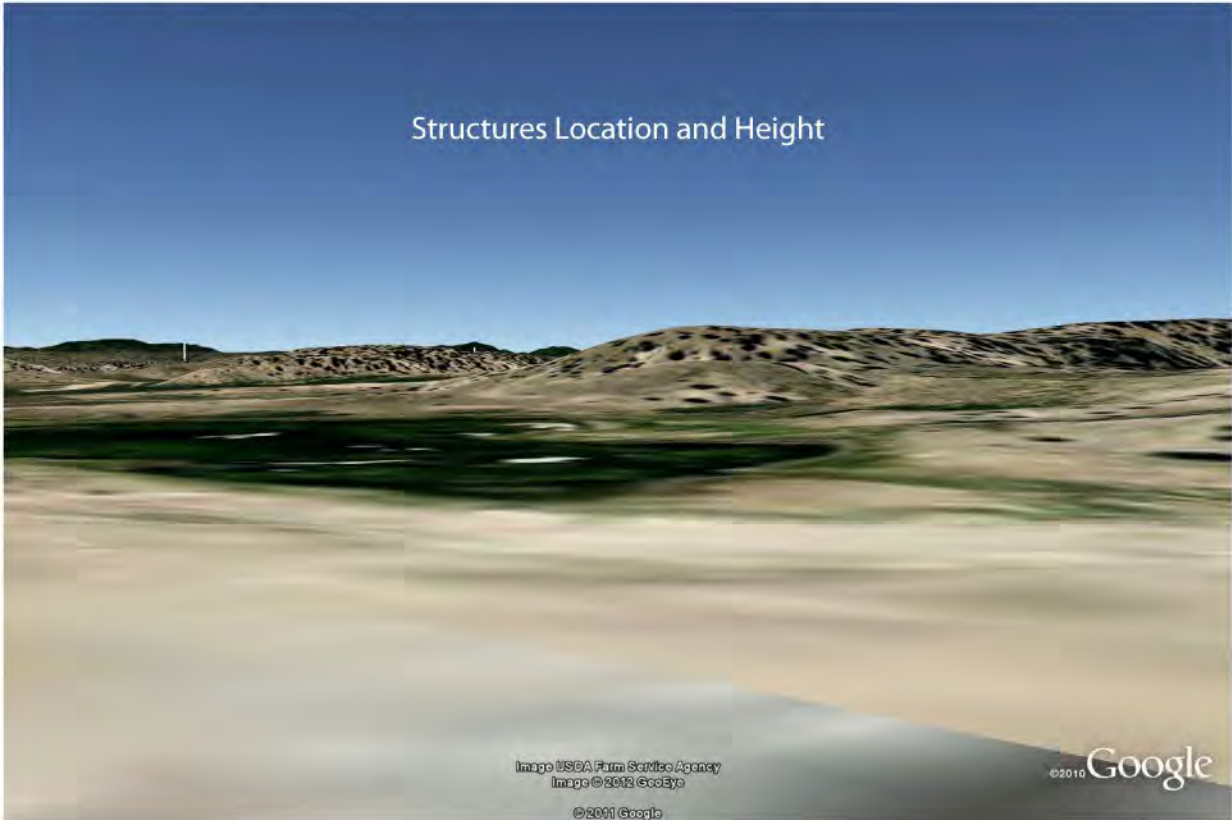
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KOP E-9
Simulated Condition
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District Ely DO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
E-10

3. VRM Class
III

4. Location Mathews Canyon Reservoir
Township_05S
Range_69E
Section_24

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-3

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Angular and rounded mountains, rolling foothills, and planar water form.	Scattered clumps of PJ, shrubs, and blanket of grasses.	
LINE	Angular and curvilinear ridgelines and horizontal water..	Irregular PJ, sagebrush and grass patterns.	
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey..	Dark green PJ and light tan grasses and medium silvery green sagebrush.	
TEX- TURE	Smooth to medium landforms.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)		
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	Line														X	
	Color														X	
	Texture														X	

Rationale:
Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would comply with VRM Class III management objects. Contrasts in these situations would be moderate or weak. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

Project Location

KOP Location

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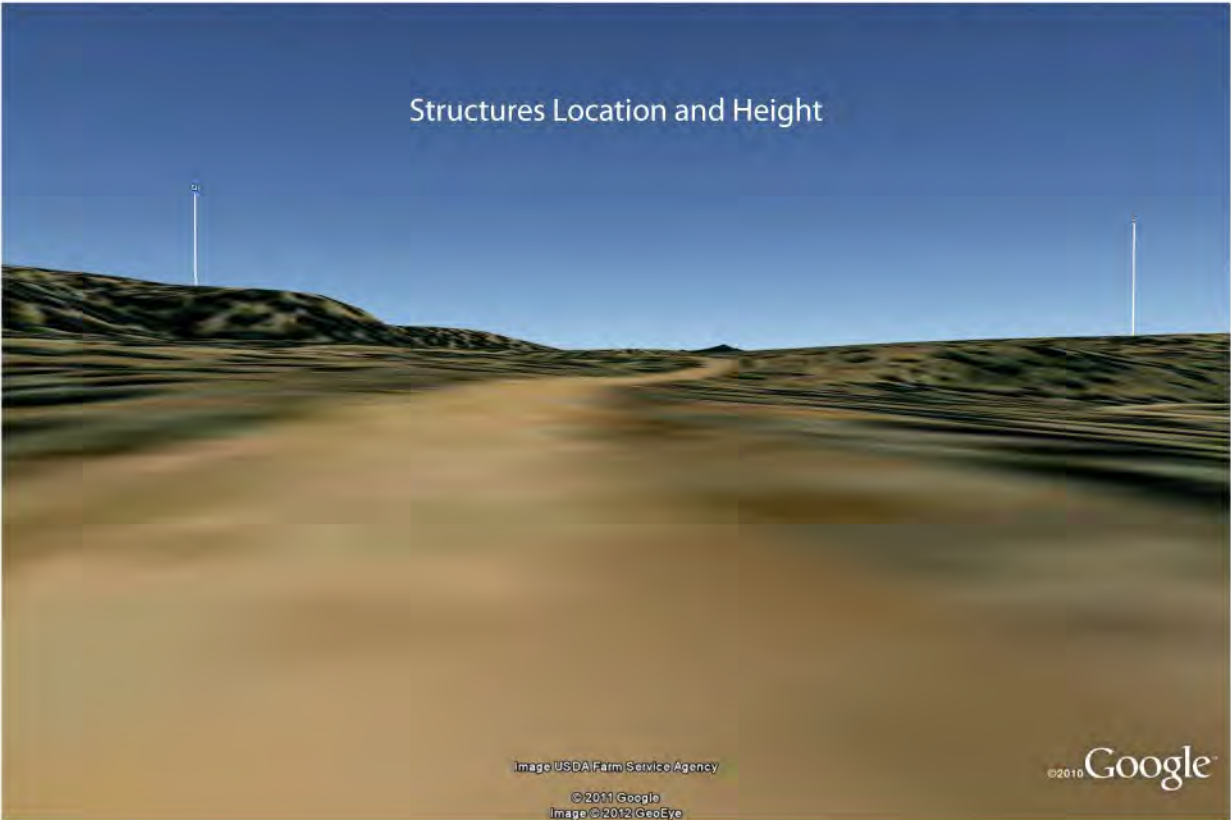
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KOP E-10
Mathews Canyon
Reservoir
(Segment 510)



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District Ely DO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
E-11

3. VRM Class
IV (VRI Class III)

4. Location Backway Loop.
Township 05S
Range 70E
Section 31

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-3

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Rolling foothills.	Dense planar blanket of PJ and sagebrush.	Planar roadway.
LINE	Curvilinear ridgelines.	Irregular PJ and sagebrush patterns.	Curvilinear roadway.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey..	Dark green PJ and medium silvery green sagebrush.	Light to medium reddish brown.
TEX- TURE	Smooth landform.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)			
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	Line													x			
	Color													x			
	Texture													x			

Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

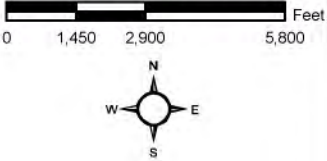
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Project Location



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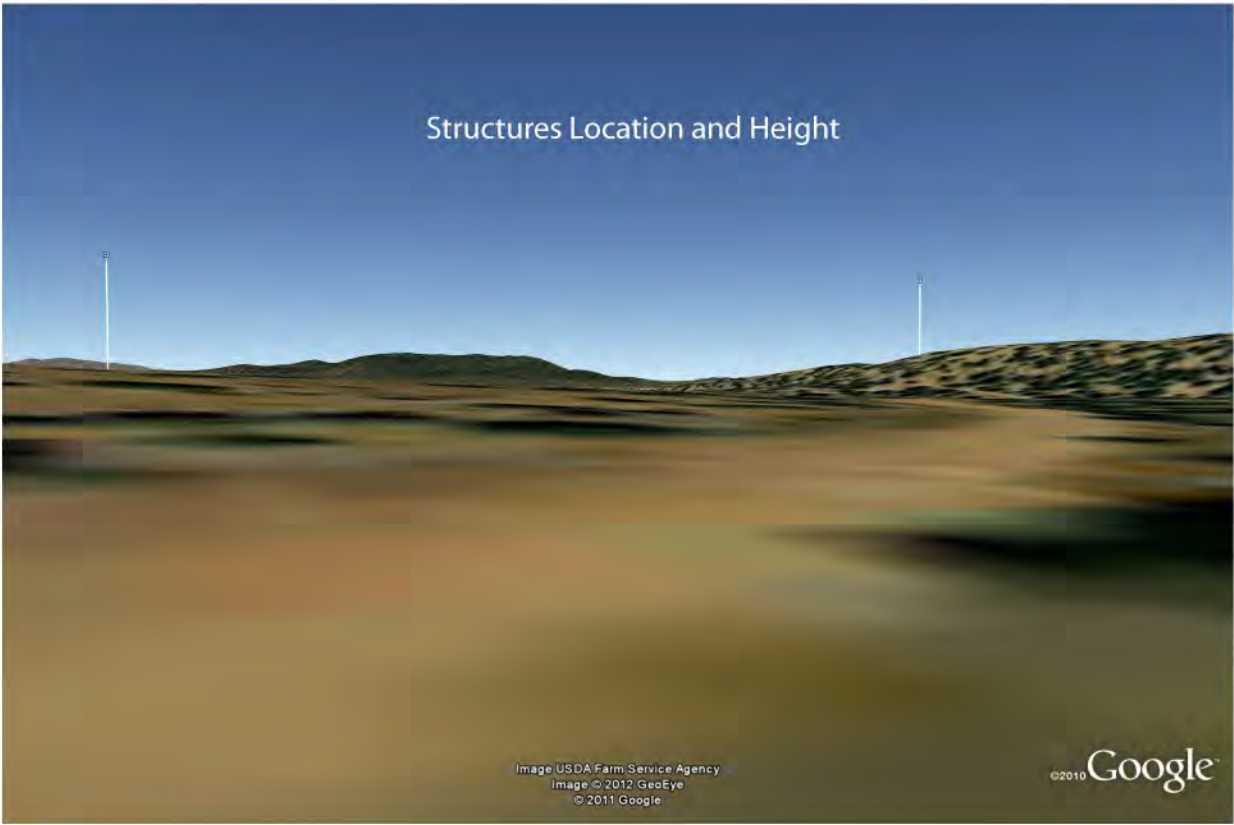
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KOP E-11
Backway Loop
(Segment 510)





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Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
E-12

3. VRM Class
IV (VRM Class III)

4. Location Backway
Loop
Township 05S
Range 70E
Section 32

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-3

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Rolling foothills.	Dense planar blanket of PJ and sagebrush.	Planar roadway.
LINE	Curvilinear ridgelines.	Irregular PJ and sagebrush patterns.	Curvilinear roadway.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey..	Dark green PJ and medium silvery green sagebrush.	Light to medium reddish brown.
TEX- TURE	Smooth landform.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)			
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Elements	Form													x			Evaluator's Names M. Paulson Date 09/08/2011
	Line														x		
	Color														x		
	Texture														x		

Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

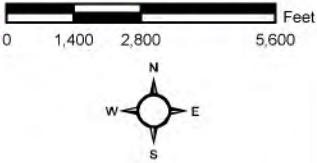
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Project Location



KOP Location



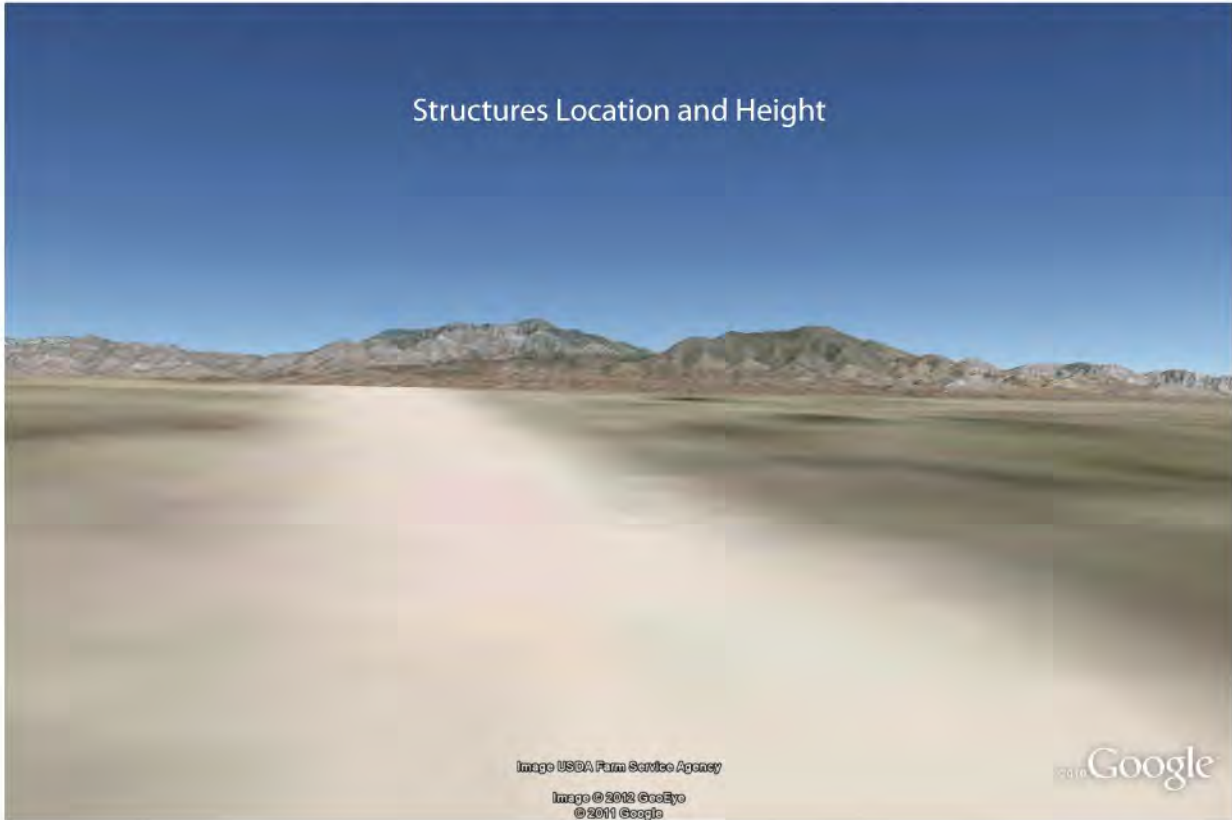
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KOP E-12
Backway Loop
(Segment 510)





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District Ely DO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
E-13

3. VRM Class
III (VRM Class IV)

4. Location Tule Spr Hills
Backway Loop (EB).

Township 09S

Range 71E

Section 10

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-3

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

LINE

COLOR

TEX-
TURE

Planar valley floor and cliffs. Angular foothills and mountains. Meandering stream.

Vertical cliff. Curvilinear valley and stream. Angular foothills and mountains.

Light to medium reddish tan and grey..

Smooth landform.

2. VEGETATION

Clumps of riparian trees, shrubs, and Joshua trees.

Irregular riparian trees, shrubs, and Joshua trees.

Light to medium to dark green riparian trees, shrubs, and Joshua trees.

Smooth, medium and coarse.

3. STRUCTURES

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

LINE

COLOR

TEX-
TURE

2. VEGETATION

3. STRUCTURES

Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.

Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.

Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.

Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

SHORT TERM

LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST

LAND/WATER BODY (1)

VEGETATION (2)

STRUCTURES (3)

2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? ☒ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended ☐ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

Elements

Form

Line

Color

Texture

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Evaluator's Names

Date

M. Paulson

08/20/2011

Rationale:
Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would comply with VRM Class III management objects. Contrasts in these situations would be moderate or weak. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

A map of Nevada showing the project location. A blue dot marks the location in the southern part of the state, near the border with Arizona and New Mexico. The map includes state boundaries and major cities.

Project Location

A detailed topographic map showing the KOP location. A green line indicates the project route, and a green dot marks the KOP location. The map includes contour lines, roads, and other geographical features.

KOP Location

A scale bar showing distances in feet. The bar is marked with 0, 6,250, 12,500, and 25,000 feet.

A compass rose indicating North (N), South (S), East (E), and West (W).

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KOP E-13
Tule Spring Hills
Backway Loop (eastbound)
(Segment 502)

The logo of the Bureau of Land Management, featuring a mountain, river, and tree.

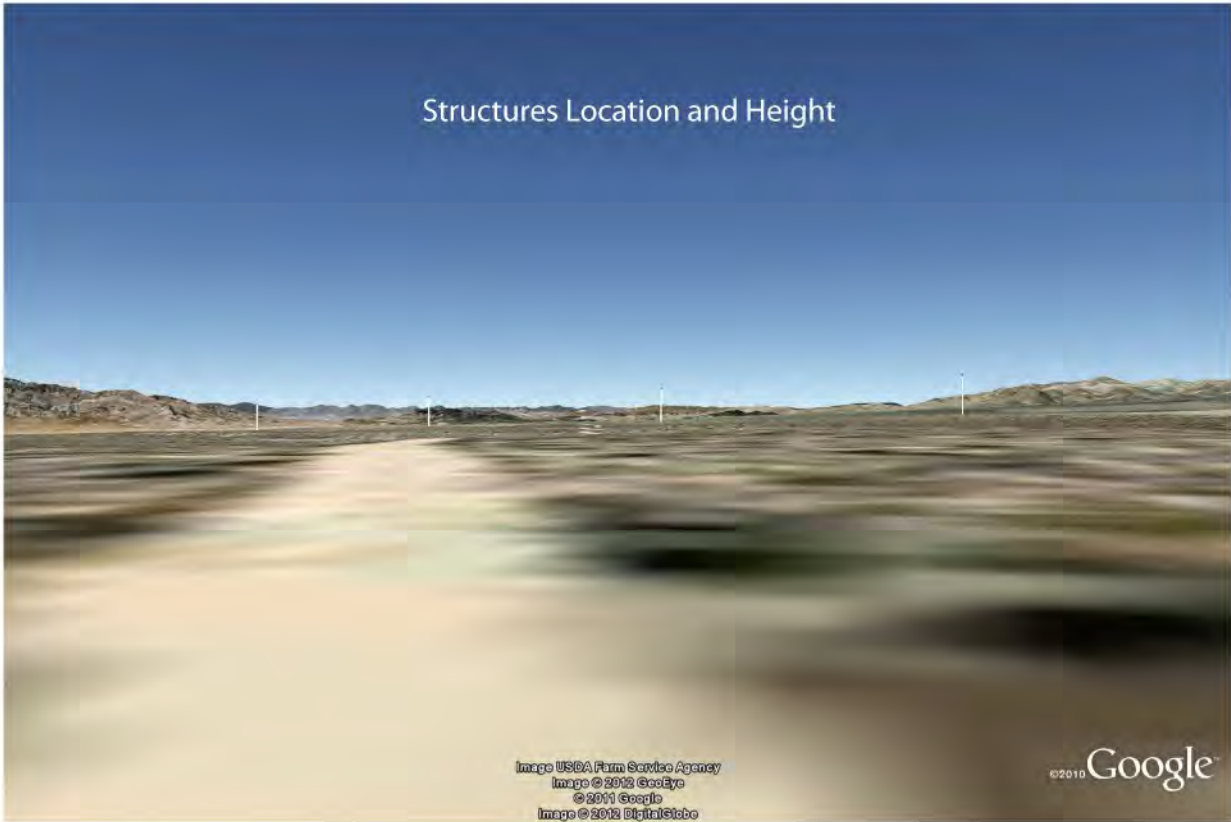
The logo of the Western Area Power Administration, featuring a stylized mountain and the text "Western AREA POWER ADMINISTRATION".

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District Ely DO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name TransWest Express	4. Location Backway Loop. Township 09S Range 69E Section 001	5. Location Sketch Please see Figure 3.12-3
2. Key Observation Point E-14		
3. VRM Class IV (VRI Class III)		

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Rolling plane.	Clumps of Joshua trees, cat's claw, and high desert shrubs.	Planar roadway.
LINE	Horizontal ridgelines.	Irregular Joshua tree and shrub patterns.	Curvilinear roadway.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey..	Silvery green to brownish green Joshua trees and shrubs.	Light to medium reddish brown.
TEX- TURE	Smooth landform.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING ☐ SHORT TERM ☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	
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														Evaluator's Names M. Paulson	
														Date 09/08/2011	

Rationale:
Where the Project would be located within 0.5 miles of the viewer and does not parallel an existing transmission line and/or where access roads and vegetation clearing would occur in moderate to steep terrain, it would have a strong contrast and would not comply with VRM Class III management objectives. Mitigation measures (VR-1 and VR-7) would reduce strong contrasts to moderate resulting in moderate to low residual impacts where the Project is located more than 0.5 miles away from viewer locations.

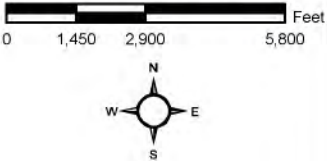
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Project Location



KOP Location



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Backway Loop
(Segment 510)

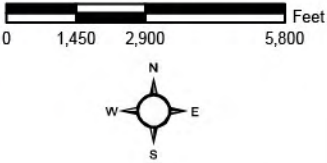




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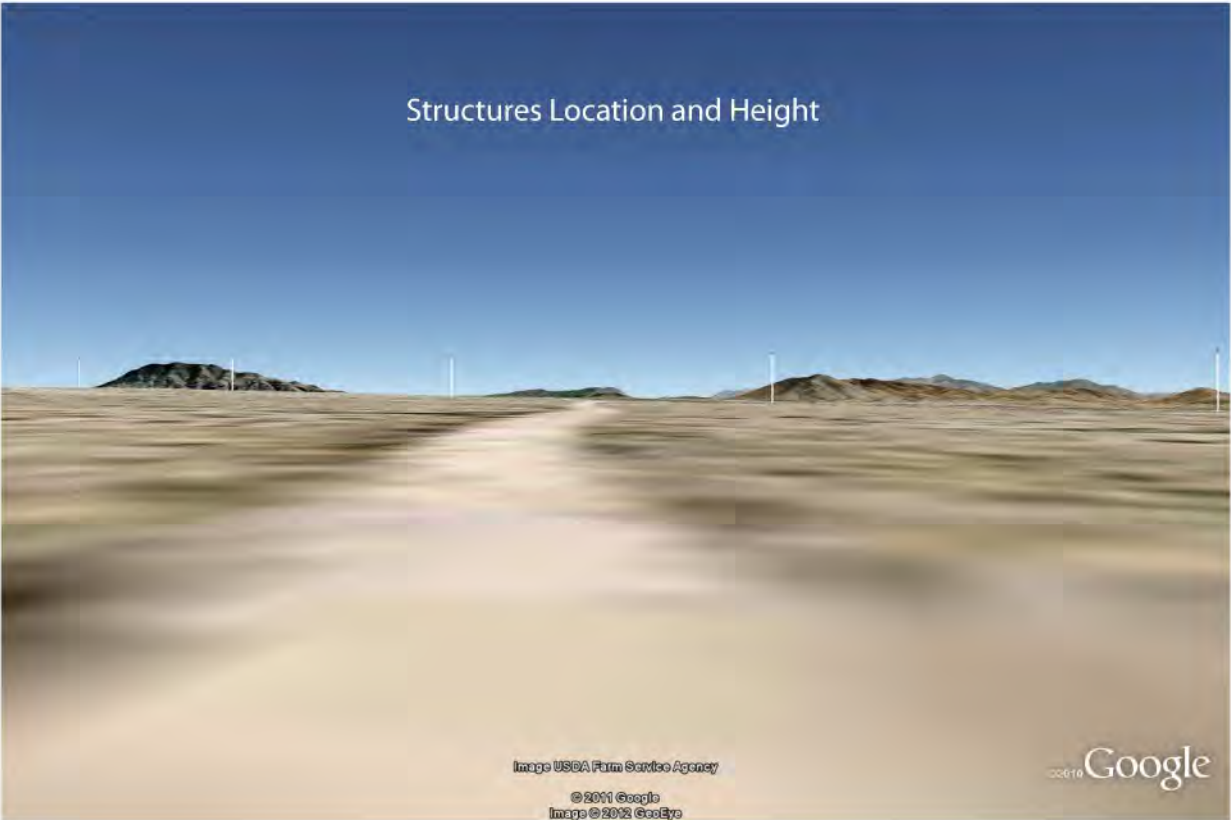
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Simulated Condition
(Segment 510)





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Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
E-15

3. VRM Class
IV (VRI Class IV)

4. Location Backway
Loop
Township 09S
Range 69E
Section 011

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-3

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Rolling plane.	Clumps of Joshua trees, cat's claw, yucca and high desert shrubs.	Planar roadway.
LINE	Horizontal ridgelines.	Irregular Joshua tree, yucca, and shrub patterns.	Curvilinear roadway.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey..	Silvery green to brownish green Joshua trees, yucca, and shrubs.	Light to medium reddish brown.
TEX- TURE	Smooth landform.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)		
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														Evaluator's Names M. Paulson	Date 09/08/2011	

Rationale:
Where the Project would be located within 0.5 miles of the viewer and does not parallel an existing transmission line and/or where access roads and vegetation clearing would occur in moderate to steep terrain, it would have a strong contrast and would not comply with VRM Class III management objectives. Mitigation measures (VR-1 and VR-7) would reduce strong contrasts to moderate resulting in moderate to low residual impacts where the Project is located more than 0.5 miles away from viewer locations.

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Project Location

KOP Location

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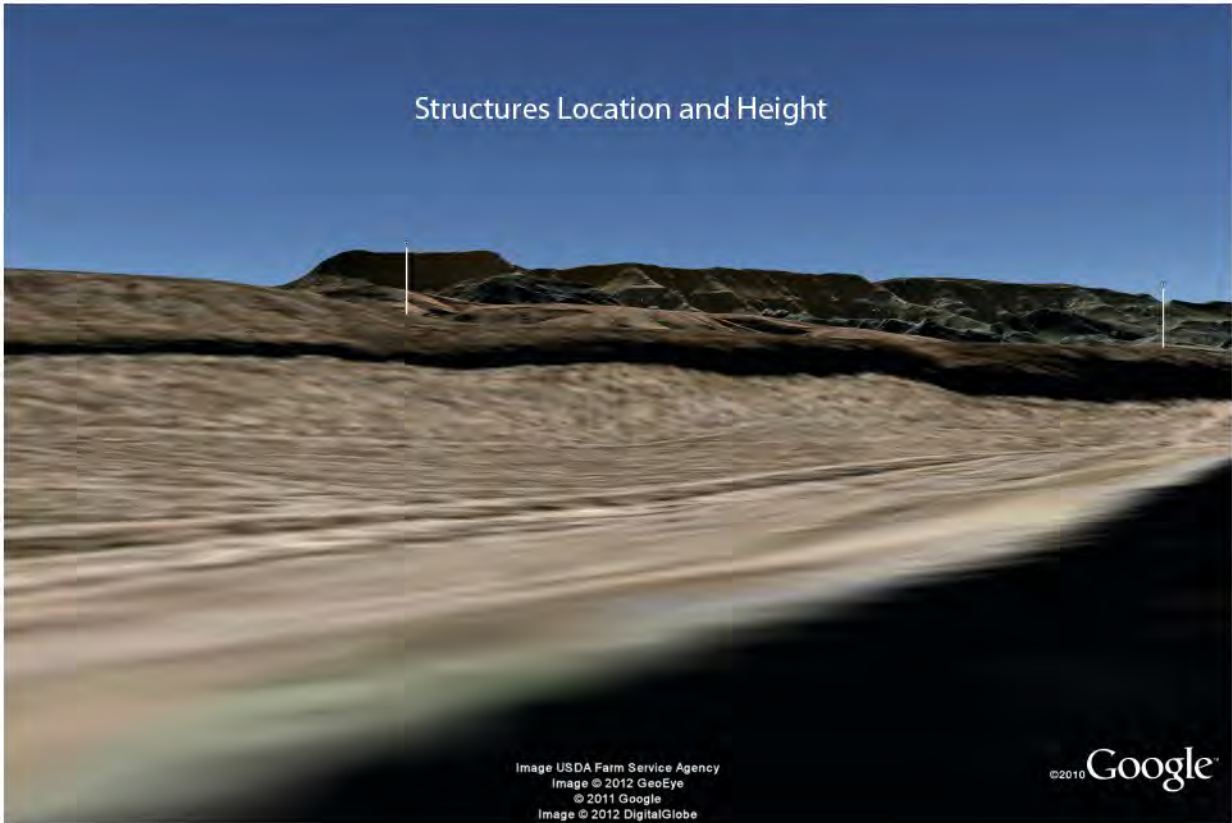
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KOP E-15
Backway Loop
(Segment 510)

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Structures Location and Height

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VISUAL CONTRAST RATING WORKSHEET

Date 09/08/2011

District Ely DO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name TransWest Express	4. Location U.S. 93- Pahranagat(southbound) Township 09S Range 62E Section 003	5. Location Sketch Please see Figure 3.12-3
2. Key Observation Point E-16		
3. VRM Class IV (VRM Class IV)		

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER		2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Foreground rolling and background escarpment	Clumps of desert shrubs and grasses.	Planar roadway.
LINE	Angular ridgelines and banded escarpment.	Irregular shrub and grass patterns.	Curvilinear roadway.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey to dark brown..	Silvery green to tan and brownish green shrubs and grasses..	Light to medium grey and tan shoulders.
TEX- TURE	Smooth to coarse landform.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER		2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING ☐ SHORT TERM ☒ LONG TERM

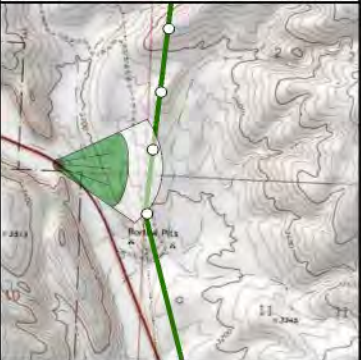
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	Line										X				
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Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

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Project Location



KOP Location

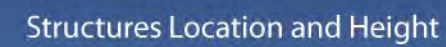
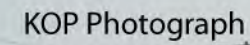
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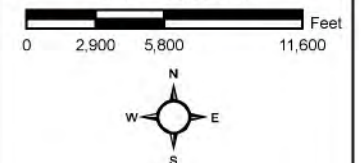
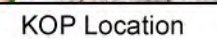
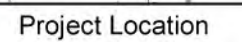
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TRANSMISSION PROJECT

KOP E-16
U.S. 93-Pahranagat
(southbound)
(Segment 520)





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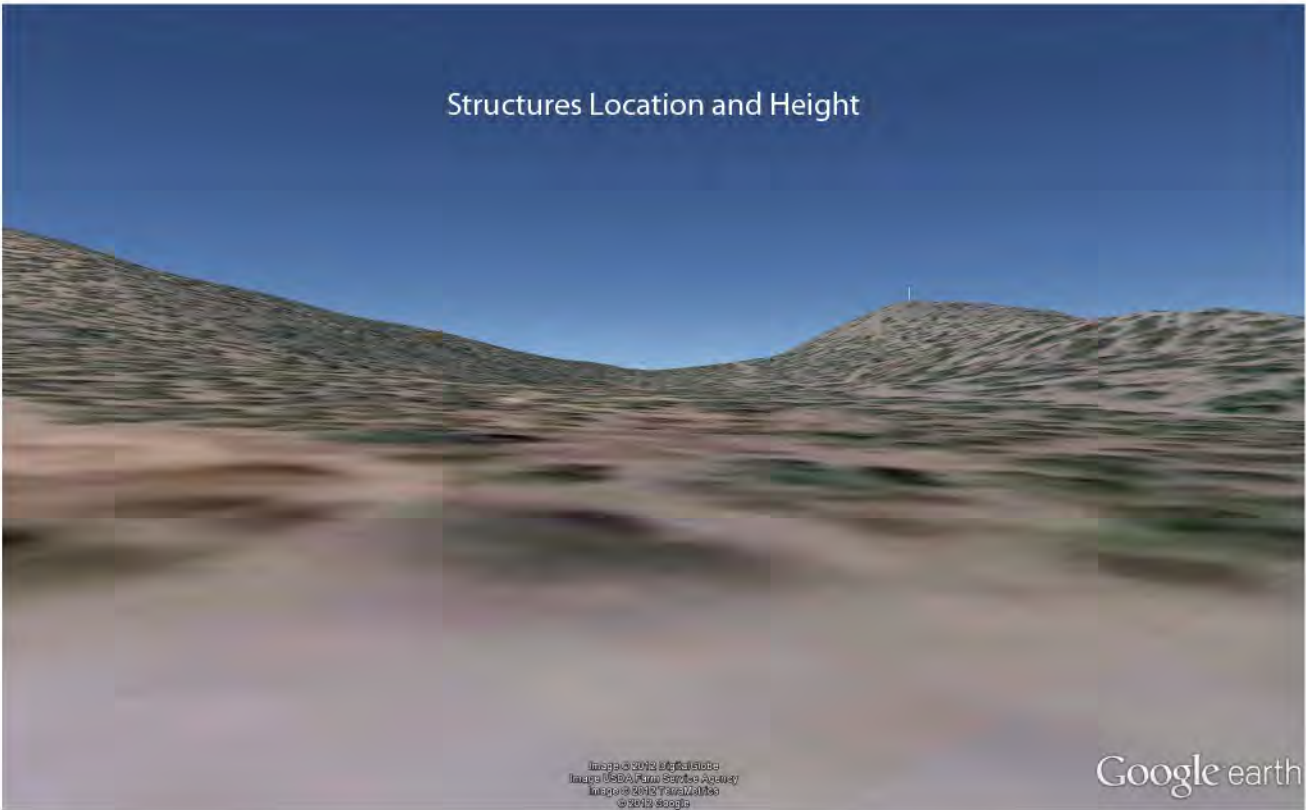
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TRANSMISSION PROJECT**

KOP E-28
North Poleline Road
(southbound)
(Segment 520)





KOP Photograph



Structures Location and Height

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VISUAL CONTRAST RATING WORKSHEET

Date 09/08/2011

District Ely DO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
E-29

3. VRM Class
II (VRI Class III)

4. Location Silver State
Trailhead and Parking
Township 04S
Range 65E
Section 014

5. Location
Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-3

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Foreground rolling and angular mountain.	Clumps of pinyon-juniper and grasses.	Planar foreground fence and parking.
LINE	Angular ridgelines, rock formations, and ridges, and horizontal valley..	Irregular pinyon-juniper and grass patterns.	Vertical and horizontal fence elements..
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey..	Dark green pinyon-juniper, shrubs and grasses..	Light to medium tan roadway and fence.
TEX- TURE	Smooth to coarse landform.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)		
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)						
		Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None			
Elements	Form									X	X					3. Additional mitigating measures recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)
	Line									X	X					
	Color									X		X				
	Texture									X			X			

Evaluator's Names
M. Paulson

Date
09/08/2011

Rationale:
Where the Project would be located with 0.5 miles of the viewer and does not parallel an existing transmission line and/or where access roads and vegetation clearing would occur in moderate to steep terrain, it would have a strong or moderate contrast and would not comply with VRM Class II management objectives. Mitigation measures (VR-1 and VR-7) would reduce strong or moderate contrasts to low resulting in moderate to low residual impacts where the Project is located more than 0.5 miles away from viewer locations.

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Project Location

KOP Location

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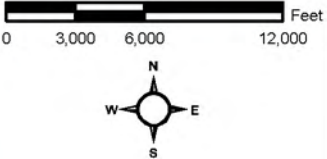
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Silver State Trailhead
and Parking
(Segment 520)



Project Location



KOP Location



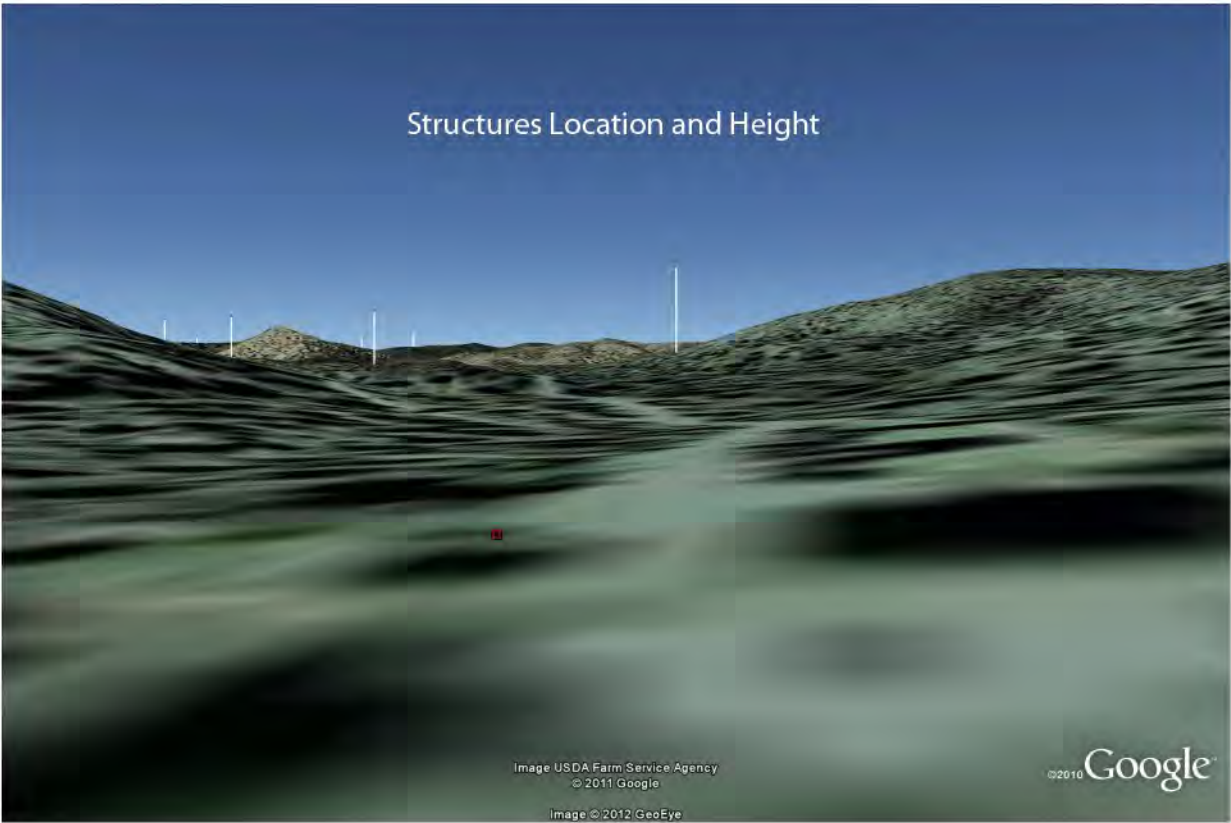
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KOP E-29
Simulated Condition
(Segment 520)





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Date 09/08/2011

District Ely DO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
E-30

3. VRM Class
III (VRI Class III)

4. Location Silver State
Trail Road (NB)
Township 04S
Range 66E
Section 005

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-3

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Undulating planar land form.	Blanket of PJ. Clumps of shrubs and grasses.	Planar road.
LINE	Angular ridgeline.	Irregular PJ, shrub and grass patterns.	Meandering roadway.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey..	Medium to dark olive green PJ. Yellowish green shrubs and tan grasses..	Light to medium reddish tan.
TEX- TURE	Smooth to medium landform.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)				
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)								
		Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None					
Elements	Form												X			3. Additional mitigating measures recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	Evaluator's Names M. Paulson	Date 09/08/2011
	Line												X					
	Color												X					
	Texture												X					

Rationale:
Where the Project would be located within 0.5 miles of the viewer and does not parallel an existing transmission line and/or where access roads and vegetation clearing would occur in moderate to steep terrain, it would have a strong contrast and would not comply with VRM Class III management objectives. Mitigation measures (VR-1 and VR-7) would reduce strong contrasts to moderate resulting in moderate to low residual impacts where the Project is located more than 0.5 miles away from viewer locations.

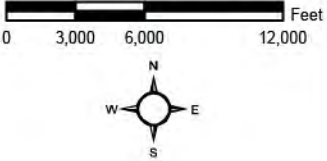
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Project Location



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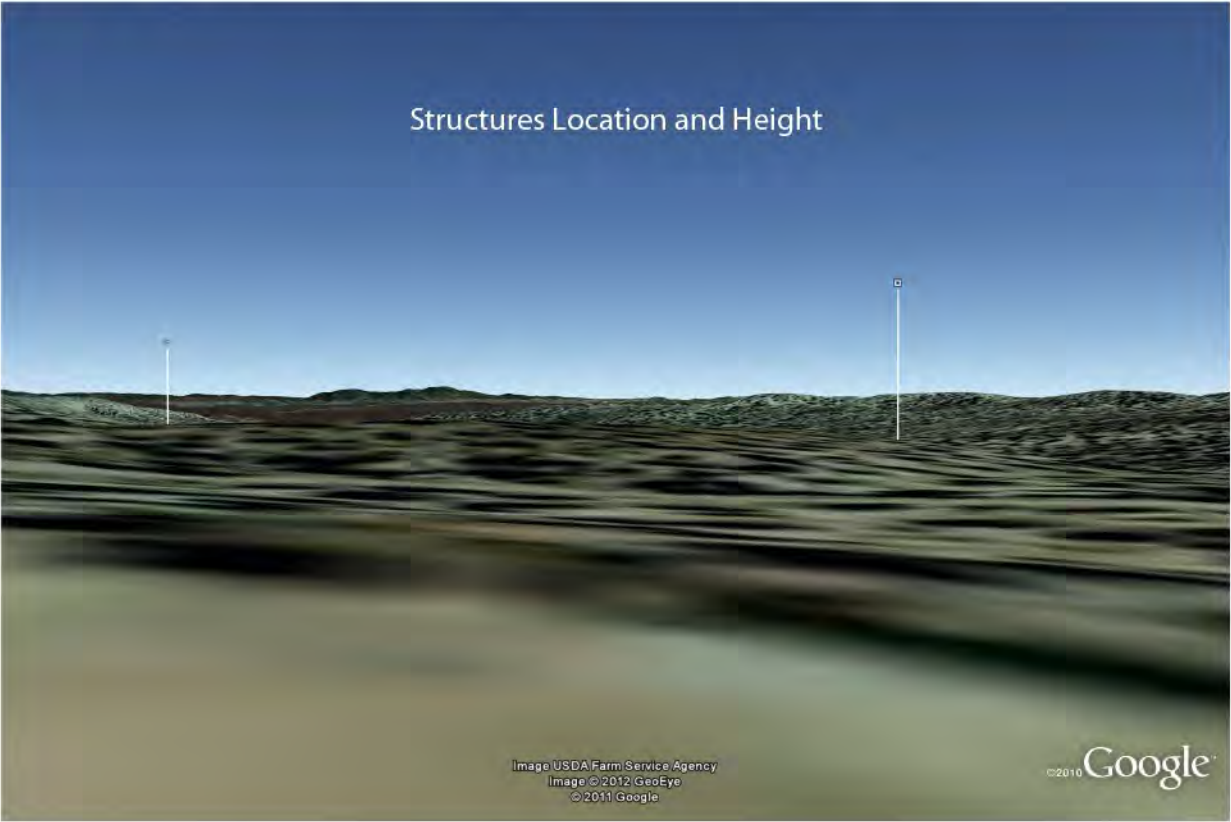
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KOP E-30
Silver State Trail Road
(northbound)
(Segment 520)





KOP Photograph



Structures Location and Height

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Date 09/08/2011

District Ely DO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
E-31

3. VRM Class
III (VRM Class III)

4. Location Silver State
Trail Road (NB)

Township 04S

Range 66E

Section 006

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-3

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

LINE

COLOR

TEX-
TURE

Undulating planar land form. Angular background mountains.

Angular ridgelines.

Light to medium reddish tan and grey..

Smooth to medium landform.

2. VEGETATION

Blanket of PJ. Clumps of shrubs and grasses.

Irregular PJ, shrub and grass patterns.

Medium to dark olive green PJ. Yellowish green shrubs and tan grasses..

Smooth, medium and coarse.

3. STRUCTURES

Planar road.

Meandering roadway.

Light to medium reddish tan.

Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

LINE

COLOR

TEX-
TURE

2. VEGETATION

3. STRUCTURES

Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.

Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.

Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.

Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM

☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST

LAND/WATER BODY (1)

VEGETATION (2)

STRUCTURES (3)

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Form

Line

Color

Texture

X

X

X

X

2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? ☐ Yes ☒ No (Explain on reverse side)

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended ☐ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

Evaluator's Names

Date

M. Paulson

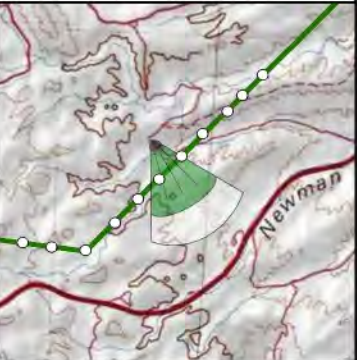
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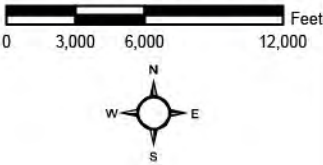
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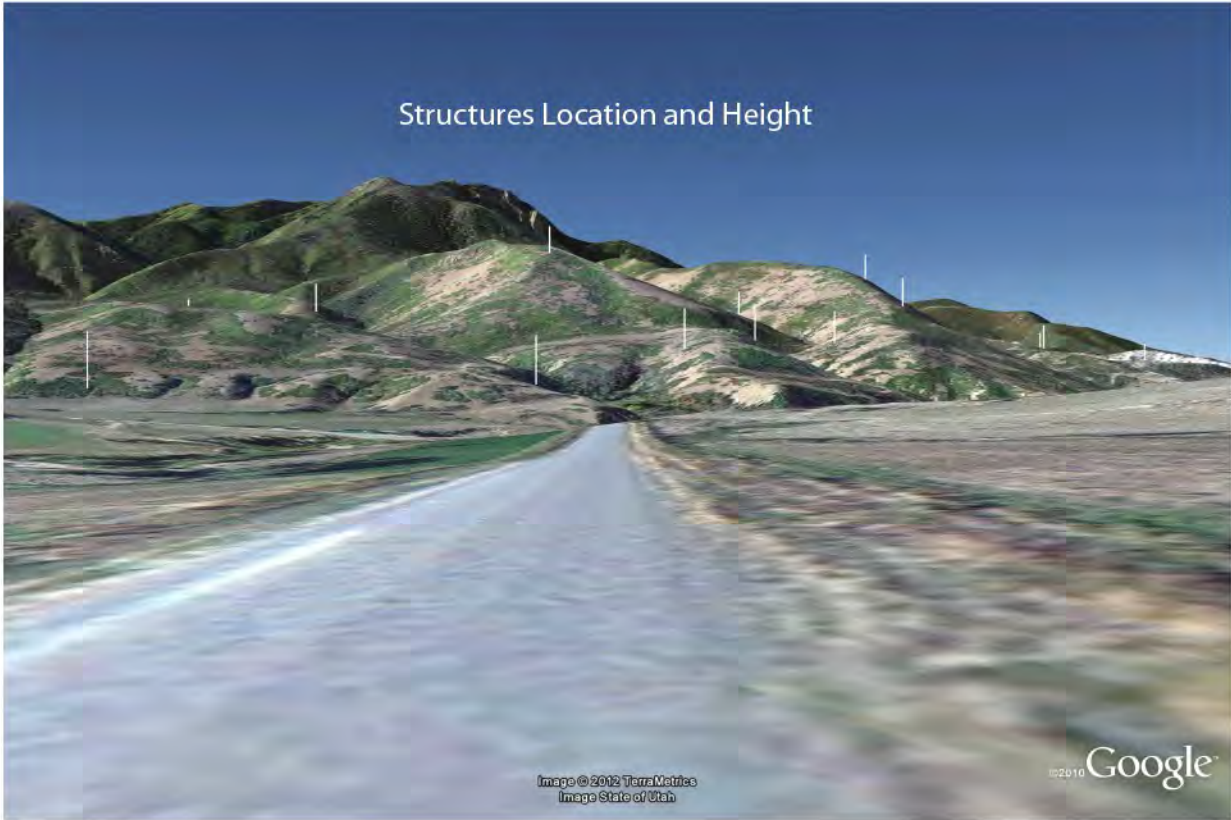
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KOP E-31
Silver State Trail Road
(northbound)
(Segment 520)





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Date 07/27/2011

District Fillmore FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
F-1

3. VRM Class
IV

4. Location Nebo Loop
Scenic Byway
Township 13S
Range 2E
Section 5

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Prominent rounded mountains and planar valley floor.	Scattered clumps of conifers, shrubs and grasses.	Prominent steel lattice tower, wood poles, planar roadway and ranch structures.
LINE	Curvilinear and angular mt. ridges and horizontal valley floor.	Irregular tree and shrub pattern edges.	Horizontal roadways.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan rock formations.	Light to medium to dark green trees, shrubs and grasses.	Dark grey lattice, light to medium poles, light to medium grey roadways and buildings.
TEXTURE	Smooth to medium landforms.	Smooth, moderate and coarse.	Smooth to medium to coarse lattice..

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST	FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)		
	LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)					3. Additional mitigating measures recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	
	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None			
Elements	Form												X	Evaluator's Names M. Paulson	Date 07/27/2011
	Line												X		
	Color												X		
	Texture												X		

Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

Project Location

KOP Location

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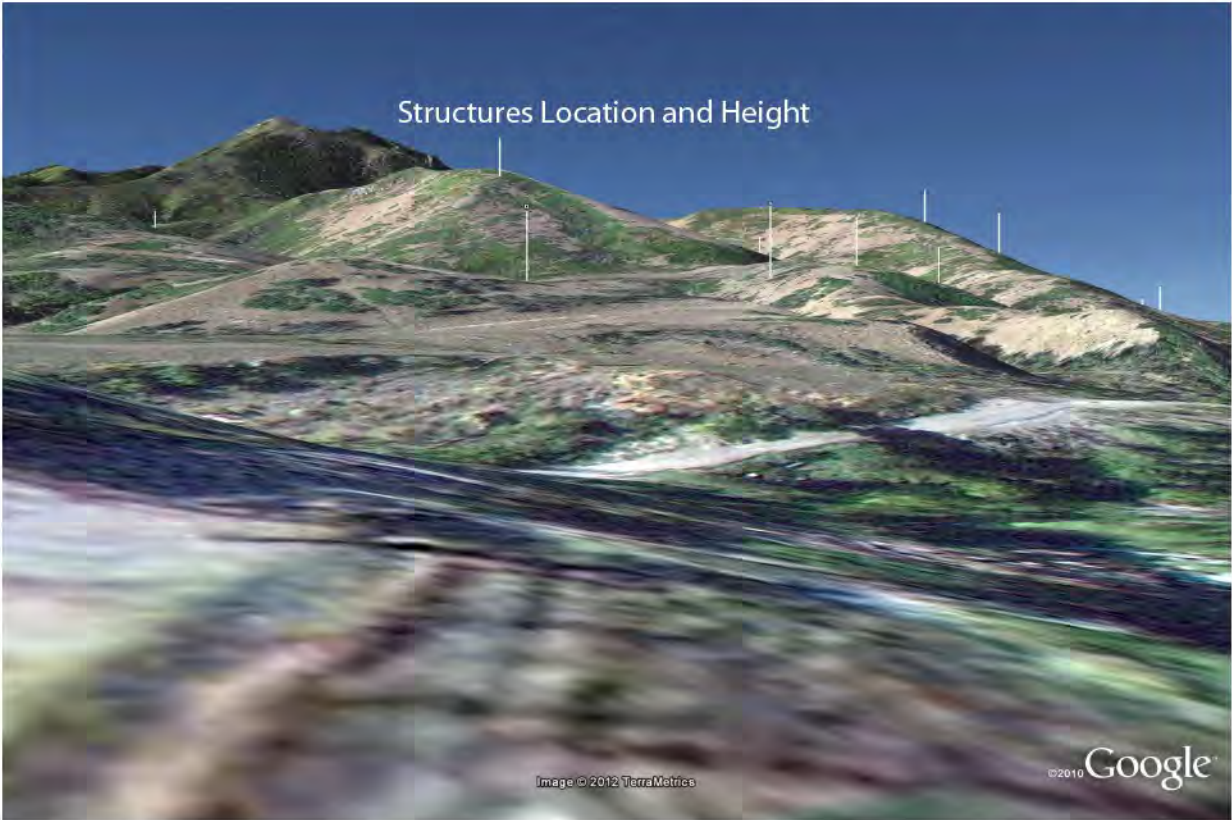
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Nebo Loop Scenic Byway
(Segment 320.2)

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Date 07/27/2011

District Fillmore FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
F-2

3. VRM Class
IV

4. Location Big Mountain
Campground RV-Park

Township 13S

Range 2E

Section 5

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

Prominent rounded mountains and planar valley floor.

2. VEGETATION

FORM

Scattered clumps of trees, shrubs and grasses.

3. STRUCTURES

FORM

Prominent sign, wood poles, and planar roadway.

LINE

Curvilinear and angular mt. ridges and horizontal valley floor.

LINE

Irregular tree and shrub pattern edges.

LINE

Horizontal roadway and vertical post and poles.

COLOR

Light to medium reddish tan rock formations.

COLOR

Light to medium to dark green trees, shrubs and grasses.

COLOR

Colorful sign, light to medium poles, and light to medium grey roadway.

TEXTURE

Smooth to medium landforms.

TEXTURE

Smooth, moderate and coarse.

TEXTURE

Smooth to medium..

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

2. VEGETATION

FORM

3. STRUCTURES

FORM

Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.

LINE

LINE

LINE

Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.

COLOR

COLOR

COLOR

Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.

TEXTURE

TEXTURE

TEXTURE

Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM

☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST

LAND/WATER BODY (1)

VEGETATION (2)

STRUCTURES (3)

2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? ☒ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended ☐ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

Elements

Form

Line

Color

Texture

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

X

X

X

X

Evaluator's Names

M. Paulson

Date

07/27/2011

Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

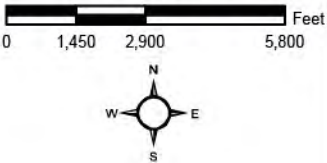
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Project Location



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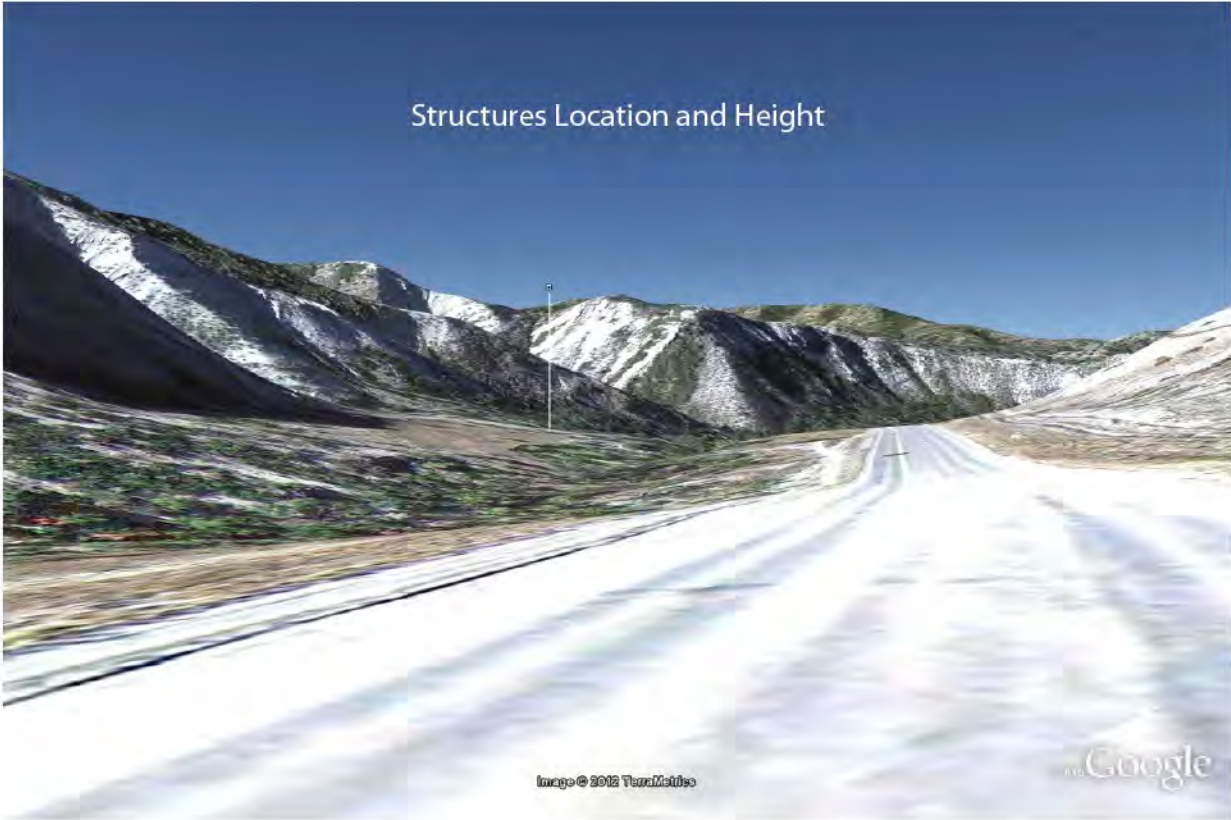
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KOP F-2
Big Mountain
Campground RV-Park
(Segment 320.2)





KOP Photograph



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Date 07/27/2011

District Fillmore FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
F-3

3. VRM Class
III

4. Location Utah SH 132
WB
Township 13S
Range 1E
Section 1

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

2. VEGETATION

3. STRUCTURES

FORM	Prominent rounded mountains and narrow valley floor.	Scattered clumps of trees, shrubs and grasses.	Prominent planar roadway.
LINE	Curvilinear and angular mt. ridges and inclined valley floor.	Irregular tree and shrub pattern edges.	Horizontal and curvilinear roadway.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey rock formations.	Light to medium to dark green trees, shrubs and grasses.	Light to medium grey roadway.
TEX- TURE	Smooth to medium landforms.	Smooth, moderate and coarse.	Smooth to medium roadway..

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

2. VEGETATION

3. STRUCTURES

FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

SHORT TERM

LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST

FEATURES

2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? Yes No (Explain on reverse side)

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended Yes No (Explain on reverse side)

Elements	Form													Evaluator's Names M. Paulson	Date 07/27/2011
	Line														
	Color														
	Texture														

Rationale:
Where the Project would be located within 0.5 miles of the viewer and does not parallel an existing transmission line and/or where access roads and vegetation clearing would occur in moderate to steep terrain, it would have a strong contrast and would not comply with VRM Class III management objectives. Mitigation measures (VR-1 and VR-7) would reduce strong contrasts to moderate resulting in moderate to low residual impacts where the Project is located more than 0.5 miles away from viewer locations.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

Project Location

KOP Location

TRANSWEST EXPRESS
TRANSMISSION PROJECT

KOP F-3
Utah State Hwy 132
(westbound)
(Segment 340)

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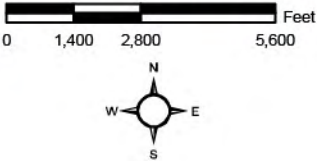
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Project Location



KOP Location



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TRANSMISSION PROJECT**

KOP F-3
(Segment 340)
Simulated Condition





KOP Photograph



Structures Location and Height

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Visual Contrast Rating Worksheet

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District Fillmore FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
F-4

3. VRM Class
III

4. Location I-15 SB
Township 13S
Range 1E
Section 17

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Prominent rounded mountains and narrow valley floor.	Scattered clumps of trees, shrubs and grasses.	Prominent planar roadway.
LINE	Curvilinear and angular mt. ridges and inclined valley floor.	Irregular tree and shrub pattern edges.	Horizontal and curvilinear roadway.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey rock formations.	Light to medium to dark green trees, shrubs and grasses.	Light to medium grey roadway.
TEXTURE	Smooth to medium landforms.	Smooth, moderate and coarse.	Smooth to medium roadway.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM

☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)		
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														Evaluator's Names M. Paulson	Date 07/27/2011	

Rationale:
Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would comply with VRM Class III management objects. Contrasts in these situations would be moderate or weak. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

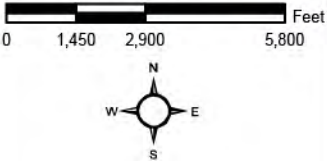
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Project Location



KOP Location



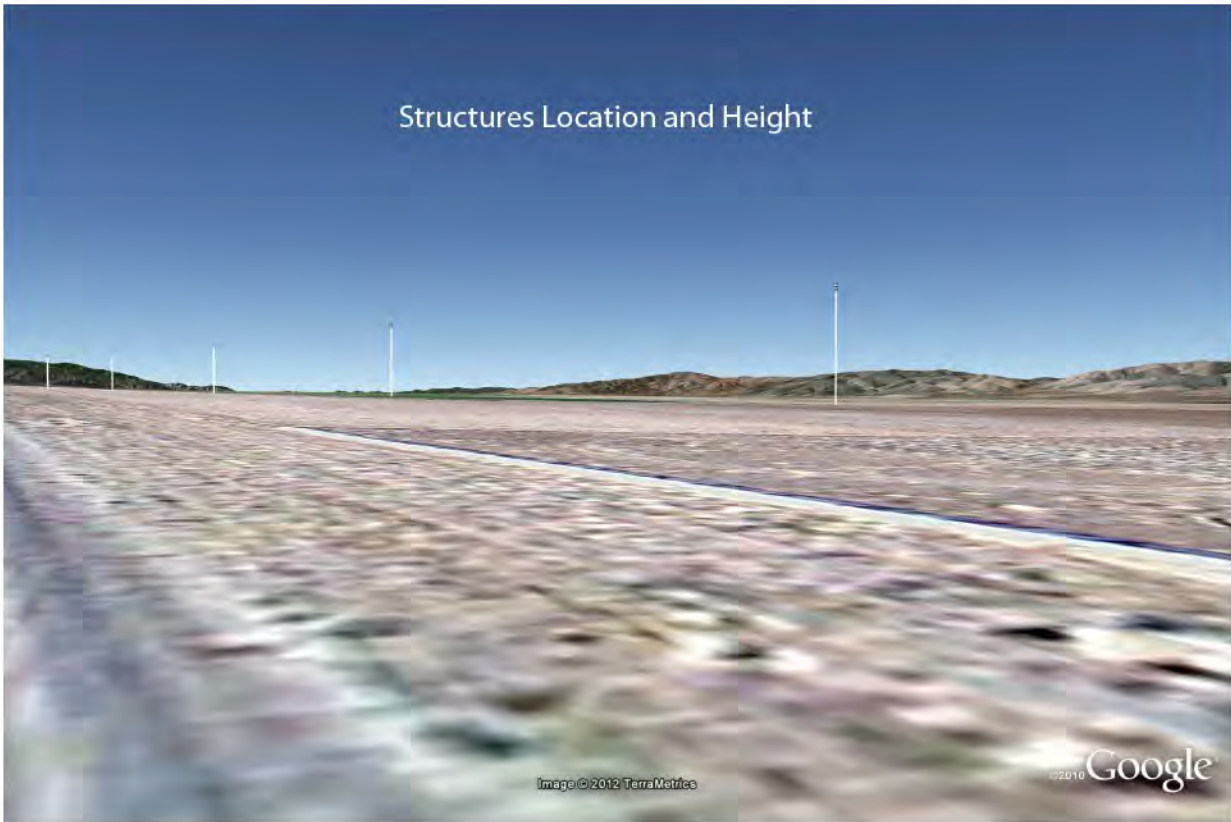
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TRANSMISSION PROJECT

KOP F-4
Interstate 15
(southbound)
(Segment 340)





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Structures Location and Height

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Visual Contrast Rating Worksheet

Date 07/27/2011

District Fillmore FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
F-5

3. VRM Class
III

4. Location Utah SH 41
SB
Township 12S
Range 1E
Section 17

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Background rounded mountains and narrow valley floor.	Scattered clumps of deciduous trees, shrubs and grasses.	Cylindrical poles and residential structures.
LINE	Curvilinear and angular mt. ridges and planar valley floor.	Irregular tree and shrub pattern edges.	Vertical poles and horizontal and vertical structures.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey rock formations.	Light to medium to dark green trees, shrubs and grasses.	Medium to dark brown poles and structures.
TEXTURE	Smooth to medium landforms.	Smooth, moderate and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM

☒ LONG TERM

Elements	DEGREE OF CONTRAST	FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	3. Additional mitigating measures recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	
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Line													X			
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Rationale:
Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would comply with VRM Class III management objects. Contrasts in these situations would be moderate or weak. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

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Project Location

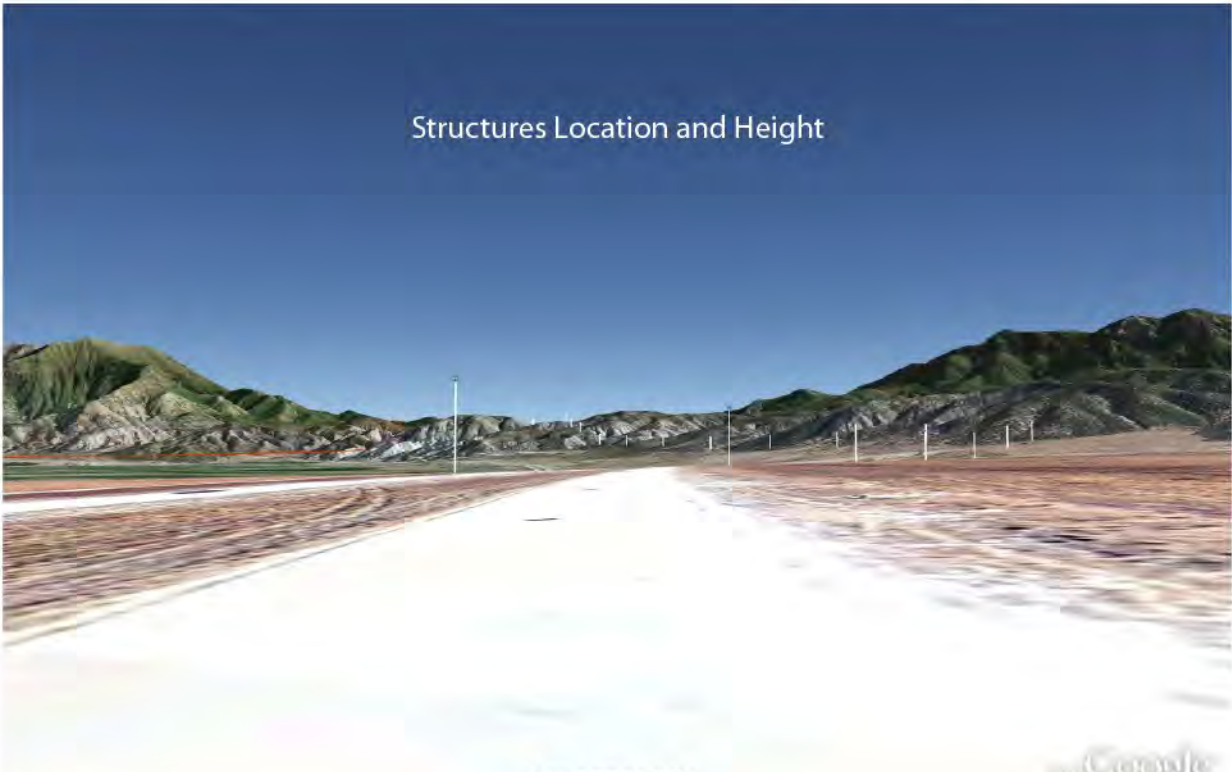
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KOP F-5
Utah State Hwy 41
(southbound)
(Segment 340)



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VISUAL CONTRAST RATING WORKSHEET

Date 07/27/2011
District Fillmore FO
Resource Area
Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name TransWest Express	4. Location I-15 NB Township 13S Range 1E Section 19	5. Location Sketch Please see Figure 3.12-2
2. Key Observation Point F-6		
3. VRM Class IV (VRM Class III)		

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Prominent rounded mountains and wide valley floor.	Blanket and scattered clumps of pinon-juniper, shrubs and grasses.	Cylindrical poles and planar roadway lanes.
LINE	Curvilinear and angular mt. ridges and inclined planar valley floor.	Irregular tree and shrub pattern edges.	Vertical poles and horizontal roads.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey rock formations.	Light to medium to dark green trees, shrubs and grasses.	Medium to dark brown poles and light to medium grey roads.
TEXTURE	Smooth to medium landforms.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING ☐ SHORT TERM ☒ LONG TERM

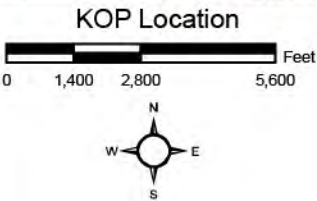
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	Texture											X			

Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.



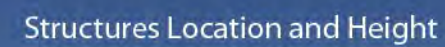
Project Location



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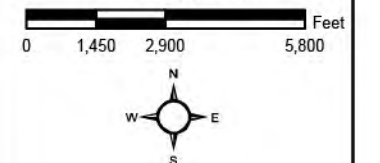
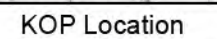
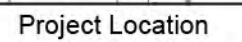
KOP F-6
Interstate 15
(northbound)
(Segment 350)





Rationale:
Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would comply with VRM Class III management objects. Contrasts in these situations would be moderate or weak. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

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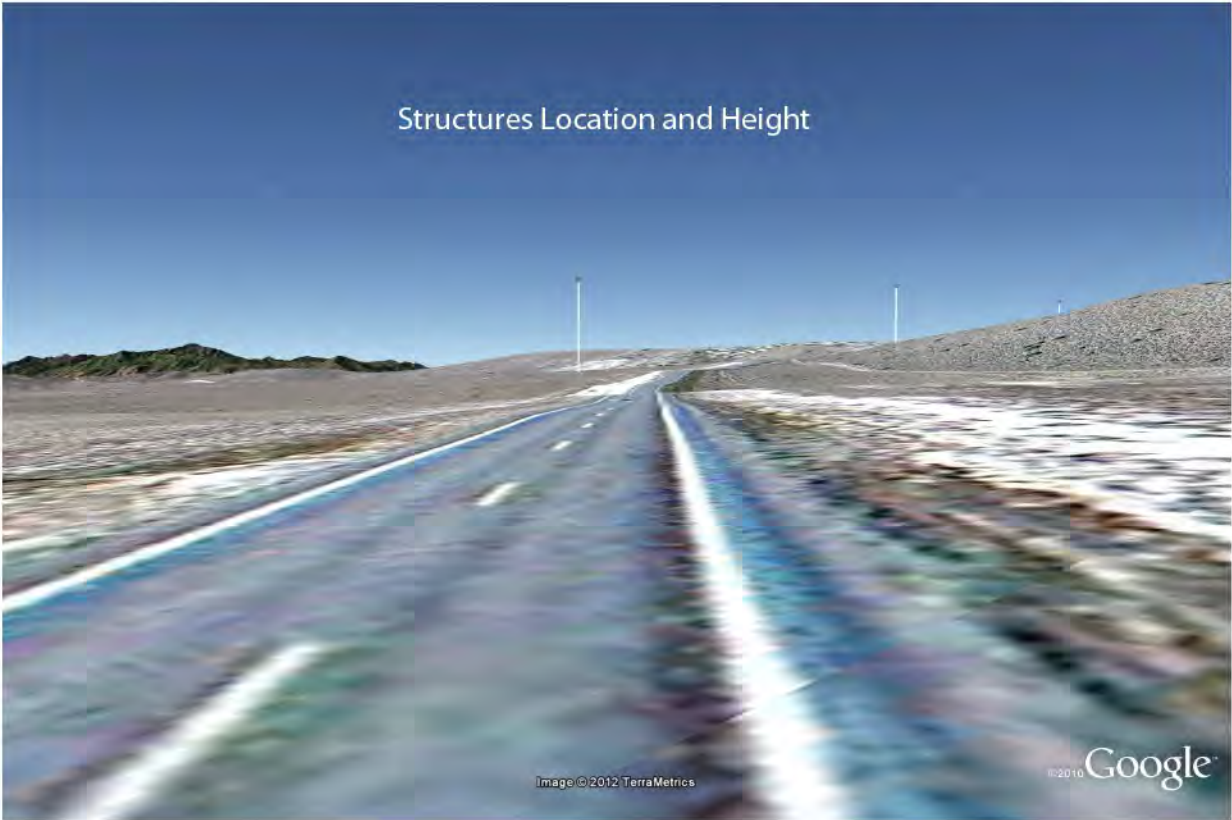
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KOP F-7
Utah State Hwy 132
(westbound)
(Segment 340)





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VISUAL CONTRAST RATING WORKSHEET

Date 08/18/2011

District Fillmore FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
F-8

3. VRM Class
IV

4. Location Utah SH 132
(westbound)

Township 13S

Range 2W

Section 22

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Angular ridges.	Blanket and scattered clumps of pinon-juniper, shrubs and grasses.	Planar road.
LINE	Curvilinear and angular mt. ridges and planar valley floor.	Irregular tree and shrub pattern edges.	Horizontal road.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan landforms	Light to medium to dark green trees, shrubs and grasses.	Medium grey road.
TEX- TURE	Smooth to medium landforms.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST	FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)			
	LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)							
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	Line												X			
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	Texture												X			

Evaluator's Names
M. Paulson

Date
08/18/2011

Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

Project Location

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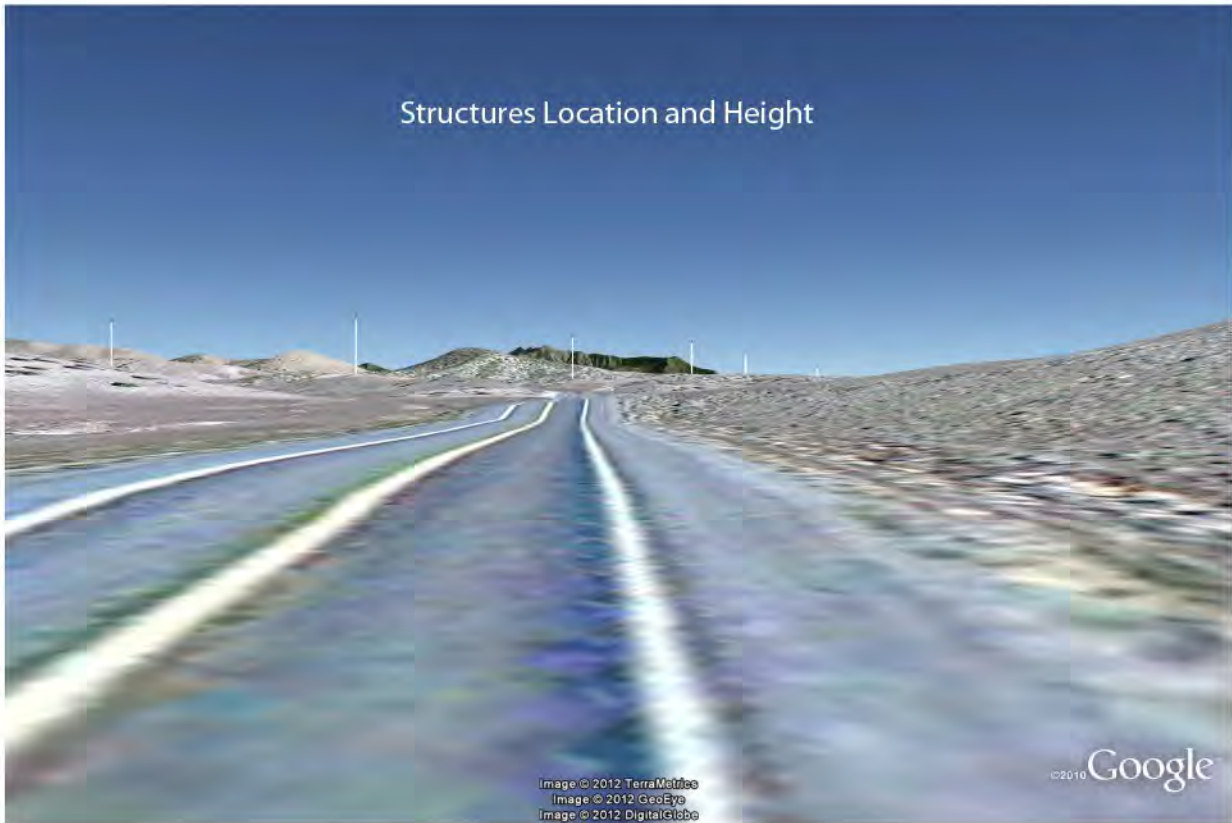
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Utah State Hwy 132
(westbound)
(Segment 360)

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Date 08/18/2011

District Fillmore FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
F-9

3. VRM Class
IV

4. Location Utah SH 132
(eastbound)
Township 13S
Range 2W
Section 29

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Angular ridges.	Blanket and scattered clumps of pinon-juniper, shrubs and grasses.	Planar road.
LINE	Curvilinear and angular mt. ridges and planar valley floor.	Irregular tree and shrub pattern edges.	Horizontal road.
COLOR	Light to medium grey and tan landforms	Light to medium to dark green trees, shrubs and grasses.	Medium grey road.
TEX- TURE	Smooth to medium landforms.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

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	Line										X						
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	Texture											X					

Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

Project Location

KOP Location

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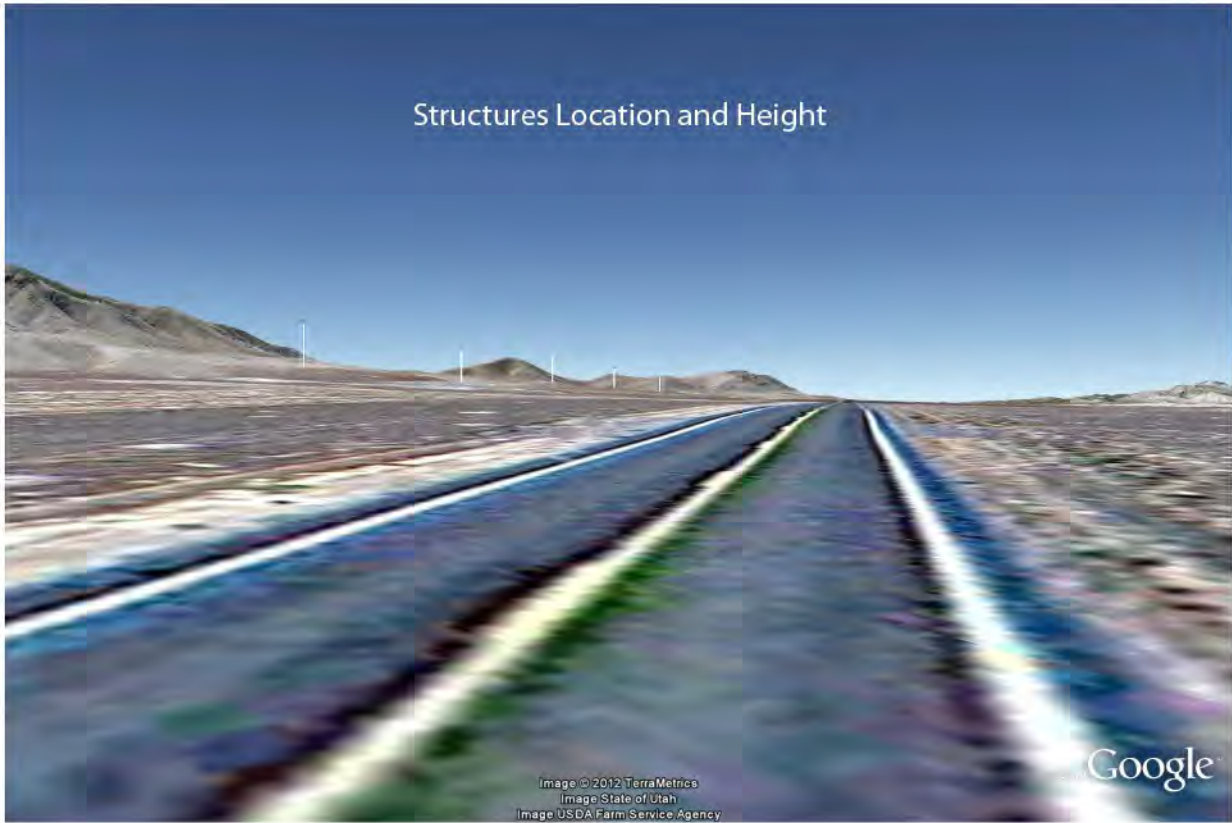
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KOP F-9
Utah State Hwy 132
(eastbound)
(Segment 360)



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District Fillmore FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
F-10

3. VRM Class
III

4. Location U.S. 6
(westbound)
Township 13S
Range 4W
Section 23

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Angular ridges.	Planar pipeline ROW, clumps and blankets, of shrubs and grasses.	Planar road and fenceline.
LINE	Curvilinear and angular mt. ridges and planar valley floor.	Linear ROW and indistinct shrub and grass pattern edges.	Horizontal road and fenceline.
COLOR	Light to medium tan and brown landforms	Light to medium to dark green ROW and light to medium tan shrubs and grasses.	Medium grey road and dark brown fenceposts..
TEX- TURE	Smooth to medium landforms.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING ☐ SHORT TERM ☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	
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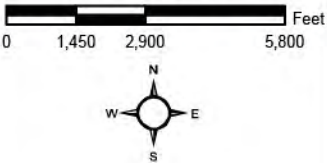
Rationale:
Where the Project would be located within 0.5 miles of the viewer and does not parallel an existing transmission line and/or where access roads and vegetation clearing would occur in moderate to steep terrain, it would have a strong contrast and would not comply with VRM Class III management objectives. Mitigation measures (VR-1 and VR-7) would reduce strong contrasts to moderate resulting in moderate to low residual impacts where the Project is located more than 0.5 miles away from viewer locations.
Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.



Project Location



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U.S. 6
(westbound)
(Segment 360)

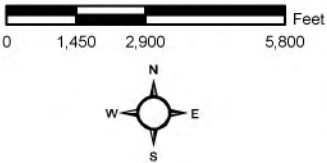




Project Location



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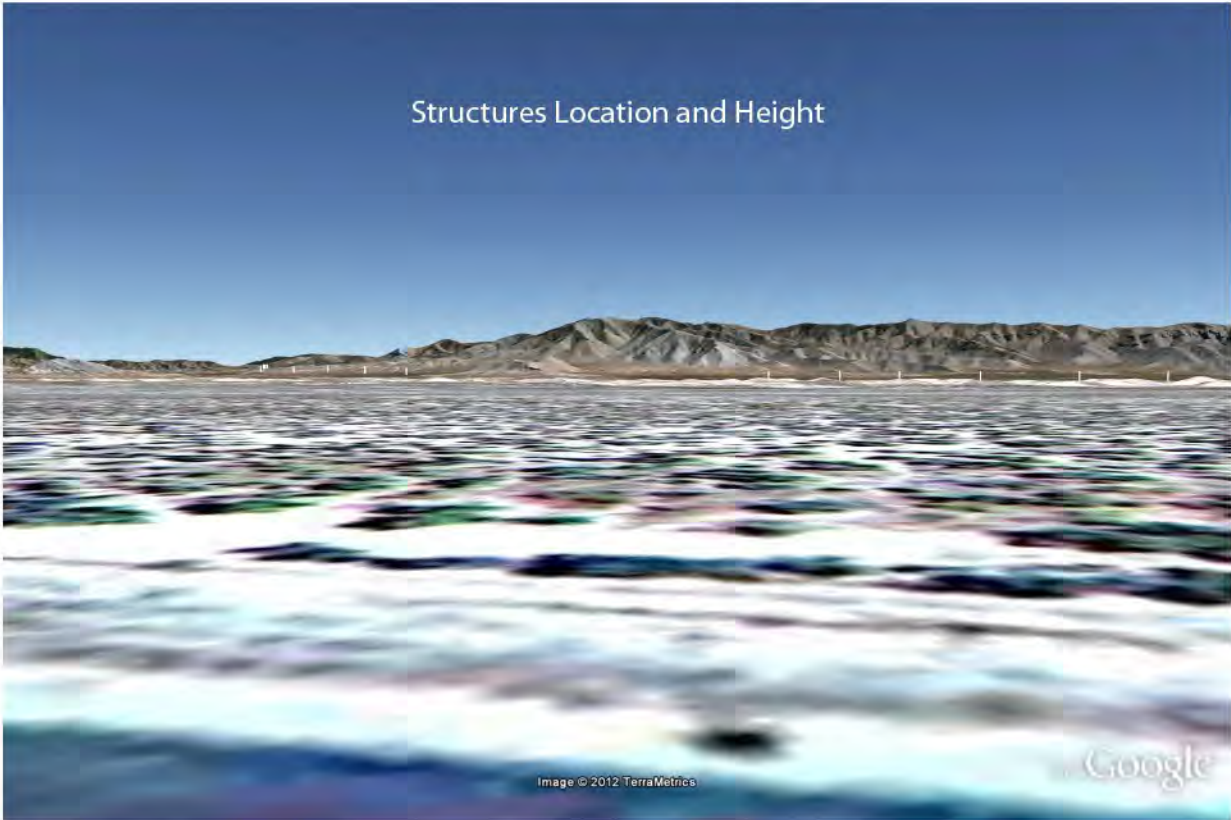
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KOP F-10
Simulated Condition
(Segment 360)





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District Fillmore FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
F-11

3. VRM Class
III (VRI Class III)

4. Location Little Sahara
Nat. Rec. Area Road

Township 13S

Range 5W

Section 26

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Angular ridges, rolling dunes, and planar valley floor	Clumps and blankets of sagebrush and grasses. Blankets of PJ in background.	
LINE	Curvilinear dunes, and angular mt. ridges and planar valley floor.	Indistinct shrub and grass pattern edges.	
COLOR	Very light to medium tan landforms	Light to medium silver green sagebrush and light tan grasses.	
TEXTURE	Smooth to medium landforms.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)			
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	Texture												X				

Rationale:
Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would comply with VRM Class III management objects. Contrasts in these situations would be moderate or weak. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

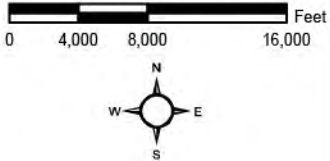
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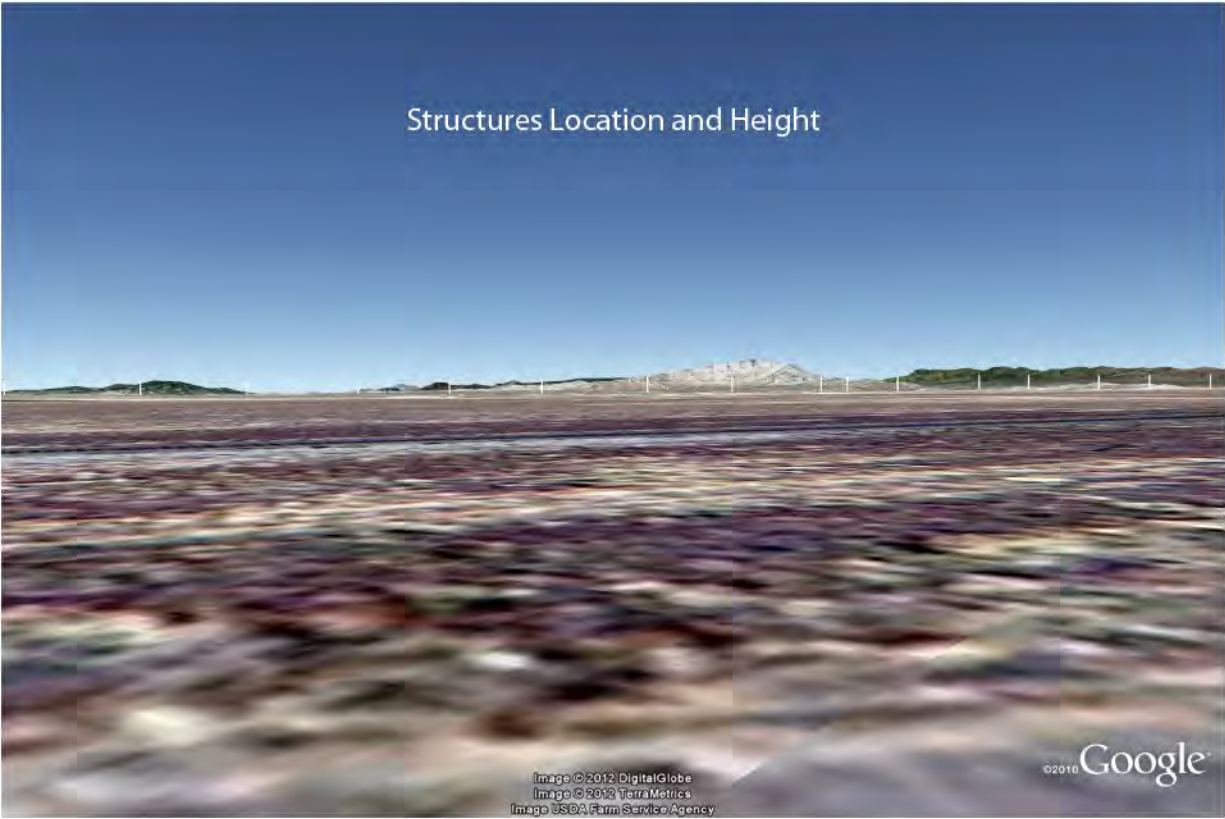
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KOP F-11
Little Sahara
Recreation Area Road
(Segment 360)





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Date 08/18/2011

District Fillmore FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
F-12

3. VRM Class
III

4. Location U.S. 6 View
Northwest
Township 14S
Range 5W
Section 36

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Angular ridges, rolling dunes, and planar valley floor	Clumps of grasses and shrubs and blanket of grasses. Band of PJ in foreground and blanket of PJ in background.	Planar railroad bed and fencelines.
LINE	Curvilinear dunes, and angular mt. ridges and planar valley floor.	Indistinct shrub and grass pattern edges.	Horizontal railroad bed, conductors and vertical fenceposts.
COLOR	Very light to medium tan landforms	Light to medium tan and brown grasses. Light olive green veg in immediate foreground.	Medium to dark grey railroad bed and conductors. Dark brown rails and fence posts.
TEXTURE	Smooth to medium landforms.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth to coarse structures.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM ☒ LONG TERM

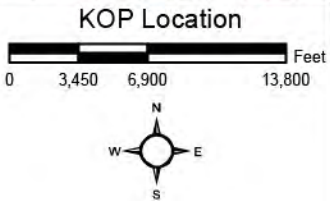
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Line													X	
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Evaluator's Names
M. Paulson

Date
08/18/2011

Rationale:
Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would comply with VRM Class III management objects. Contrasts in these situations would be moderate or weak. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

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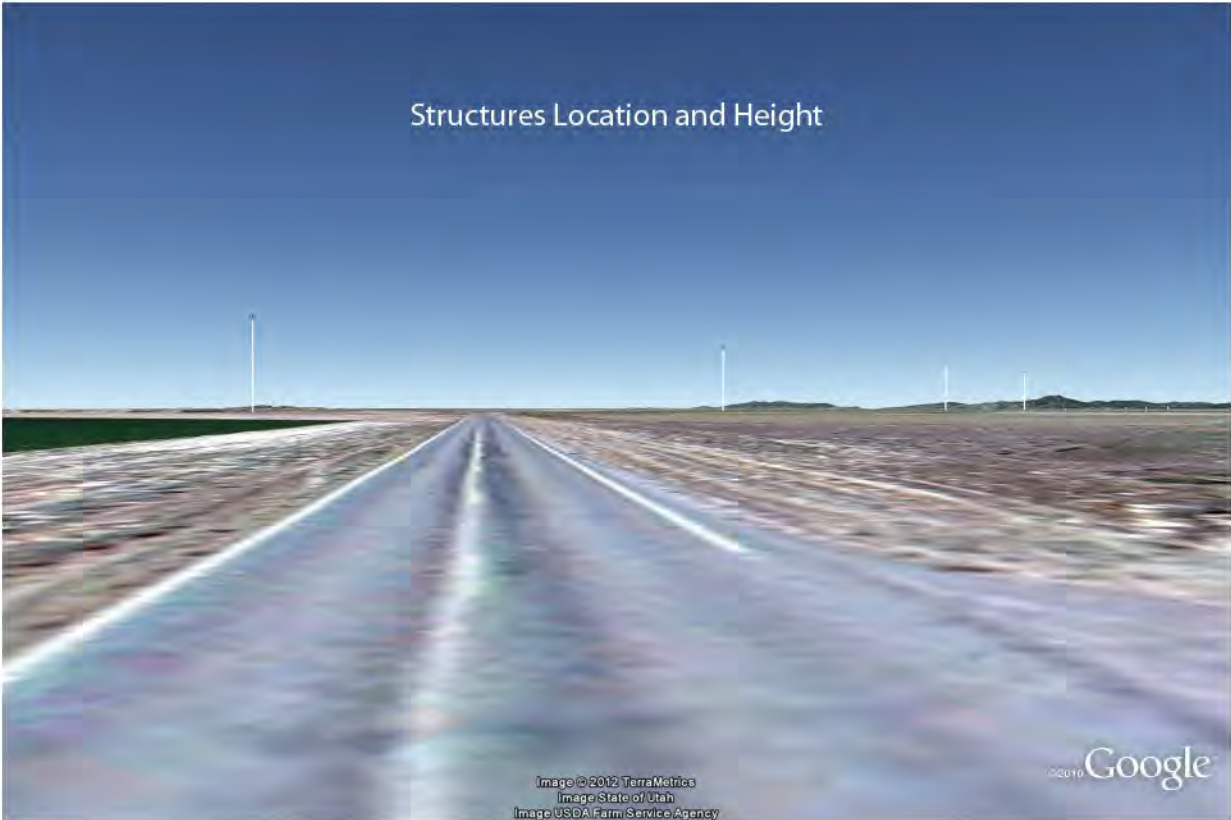
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U.S. 6
(northwest)
(Segment 360)





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VISUAL CONTRAST RATING WORKSHEET

Date 11/12/2011

District Fillmore FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
F-13

3. VRM Class
IV

4. Location U.S. 6
(southbound)
Township 15S
Range 5W
Section 14

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Planar valley floor	Planar grasses and clumps of shrubs.	Cubed building, pyramidal transmission line structures, and cylindrical poles.
LINE	Horizontal line of valley floor.	Indistinct shrub and grass pattern edges.	Vertical and horizontal building, vertical poles and t-line structures.
COLOR	Very light to medium tan landform.	Light to medium tan and brown grasses. Light olive green veg in immediate foreground.	Light tan to medium brown structure, grey t-lines and roadway. Dark brown poles and fence posts.
TEX- TURE	Smooth to medium landforms.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth to coarse structures.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)					
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Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

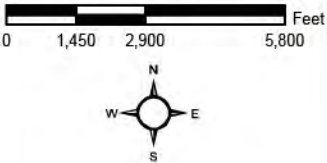
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Project Location



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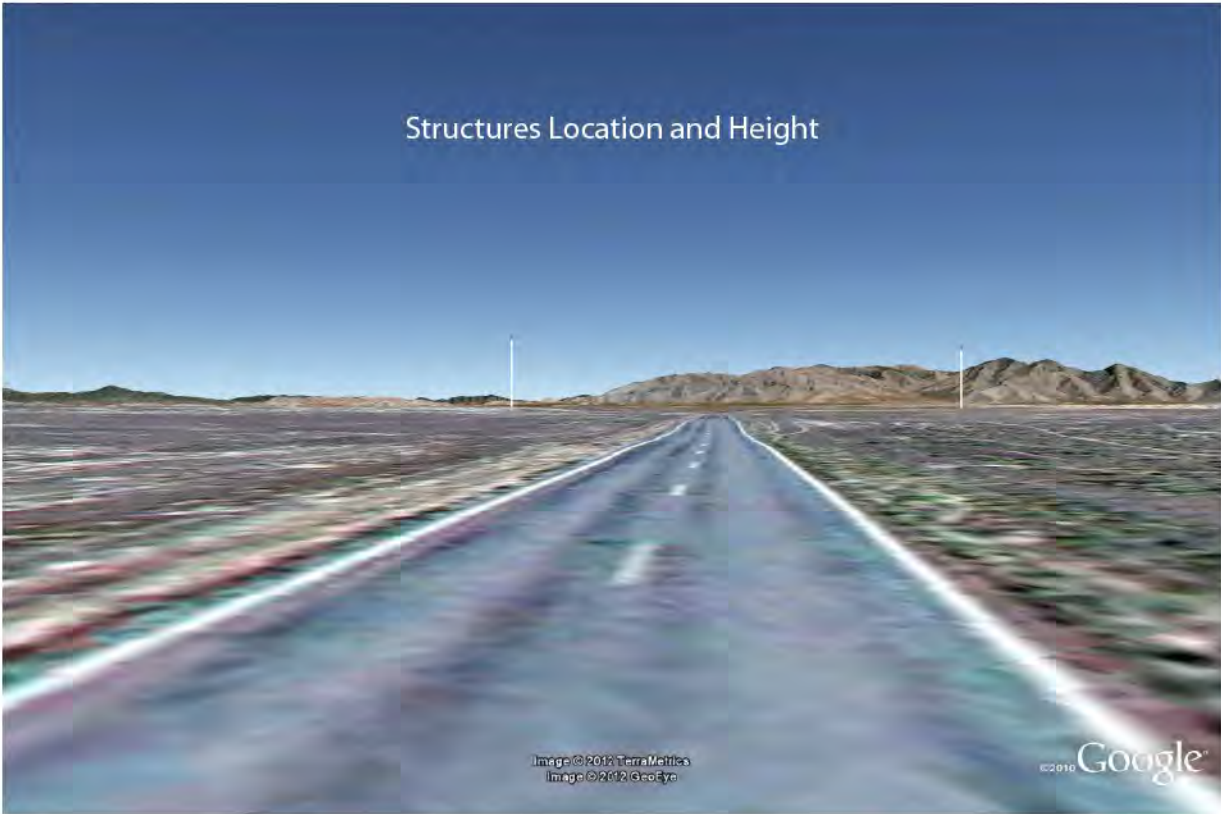
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KOP F-13
U.S. 6
(southbound)
(Segment 380)





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Structures Location and Height

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VISUAL CONTRAST RATING WORKSHEET

Date 11/12/2011
District Fillmore FO
Resource Area
Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name TransWest Express	4. Location U.S. 6 (northbound) Township 15S Range 15W Section 22	5. Location Sketch Please see Figure 3.12-2
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SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER		2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Planar valley floor	Clumps of deciduous trees and shrubs.	Cubed building, pyramidal transmission line structures, and cylindrical poles.
LINE	Horizontal line of valley floor.	Indistinct trees, shrub and grass pattern edges.	Vertical and horizontal building, vertical poles and t-line structures.
COLOR	Very light to medium tan landform.	Light to medium tan and brown trees, shrubs and grasses.	White and light grey structures and grey roadway. Light to medium brown poles and fence posts.
TEXTURE	Smooth to medium landforms.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth to coarse structures.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER		2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING ☐ SHORT TERM ☒ LONG TERM

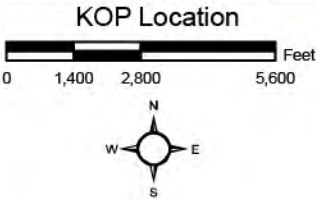
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	Line												X	
	Color												X	
	Texture												X	

Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.



Project Location



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TRANSMISSION PROJECT

KOP F-14
U.S. 6
(northbound)
(Segment 380)





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VISUAL CONTRAST RATING WORKSHEET

Date 08/18/2011

District Fillmore FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

4. Location Utah SH 174
(westbound)

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-2

2. Key Observation Point
F-15

Township 15S

3. VRM Class
IV

Range 6W

Section 29

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Planar valley floor and angular mountains.	Clumps of deciduous trees and shrubs.	Cubed building, inclined conveyer, cylindrical stack, grided substation and pyramidal transmission line structures.
LINE	Horizontal line of valley floor and angular lines of mountains.	Indistinct trees, shrub and grass pattern edges.	Vertical and horizontal building and substation, inclined conveyer, vertical t-line structures and fence posts.
COLOR	Very light to medium tan landform.	Light to medium tan and brown trees, shrubs and grasses.	Light to medium tans and browns in structure. Light to dark grey stack. Light to medium grey sub & t-line. fence posts.
TEXTURE	Smooth to medium landforms.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth to coarse structures.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Delta steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING ☐ SHORT TERM ☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)		
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)						
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	Color													X		
	Texture													X		
														Evaluator's Names M. Paulson	Date 08/18/2011	

Rationale:

The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

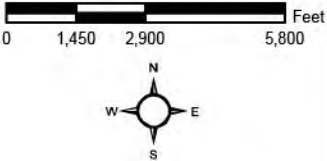
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Project Location



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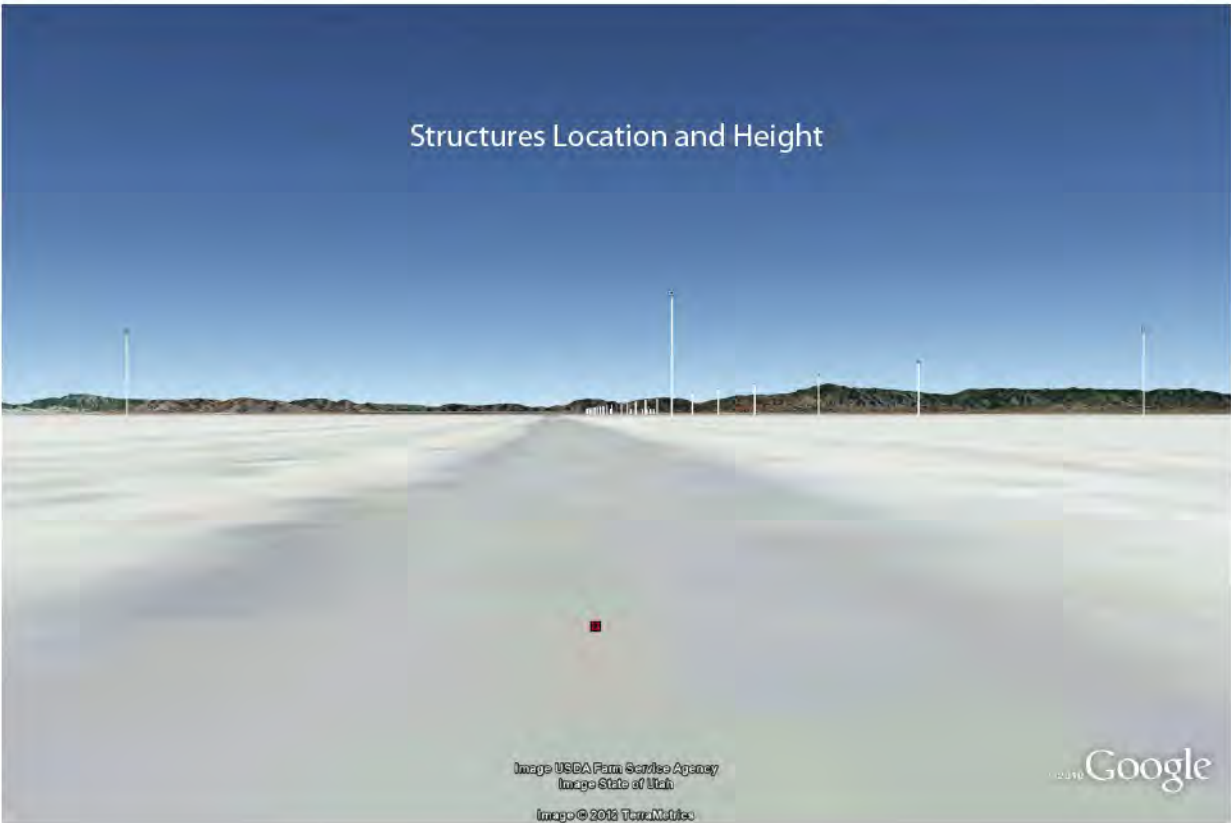
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TRANSMISSION PROJECT

KOP F-15
Utah State Hwy 174
(westbound)
(Segment 420)





KOP Photograph



Structures Location and Height

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VISUAL CONTRAST RATING WORKSHEET

Date 08/18/2011

District Fillmore FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
F-16

3. VRM Class
III

4. Location Utah SH 174
(eastbound)

Township 15S

Range 8W

Section 16

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-3

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

LINE

COLOR

TEX-
TURE

Planar valley floor and angular mountains in background.

Horizontal line of valley floor and angular lines of mountains.

Very light grey and tan landform.

Smooth to medium landforms.

2. VEGETATION

Clumps of deciduous trees and shrubs.

Indistinct tree and shrub pattern edges.

Medium to dark olive green trees and shrubs.

Smooth, medium and coarse.

3. STRUCTURES

Cubed building, cylindrical stack, and pyramidal transmission line structures. Planar roadways.

Vertical and horizontal building and substation and vertical t-line structures. Horizontal roadways.

Light to medium tans in structure. Light to medium grey stack. Light to medium grey t-lines and roadways.

Smooth to coarse structures.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

LINE

COLOR

TEX-
TURE

2. VEGETATION

Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.

Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.

Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.

Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

3. STRUCTURES

Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.

Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.

Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.

Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

DEGREE OF CONTRAST

LAND/WATER BODY (1)

VEGETATION (2)

STRUCTURES (3)

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? ☒ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended ☐ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

Elements

Form

Line

Color

Texture

Evaluator's Names
M. Paulson

Date
08/18/2011

Rationale:
Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would comply with VRM Class III management objects. Contrasts in these situations would be moderate or weak. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

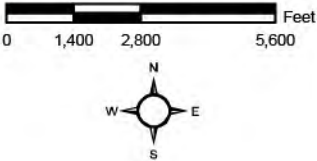
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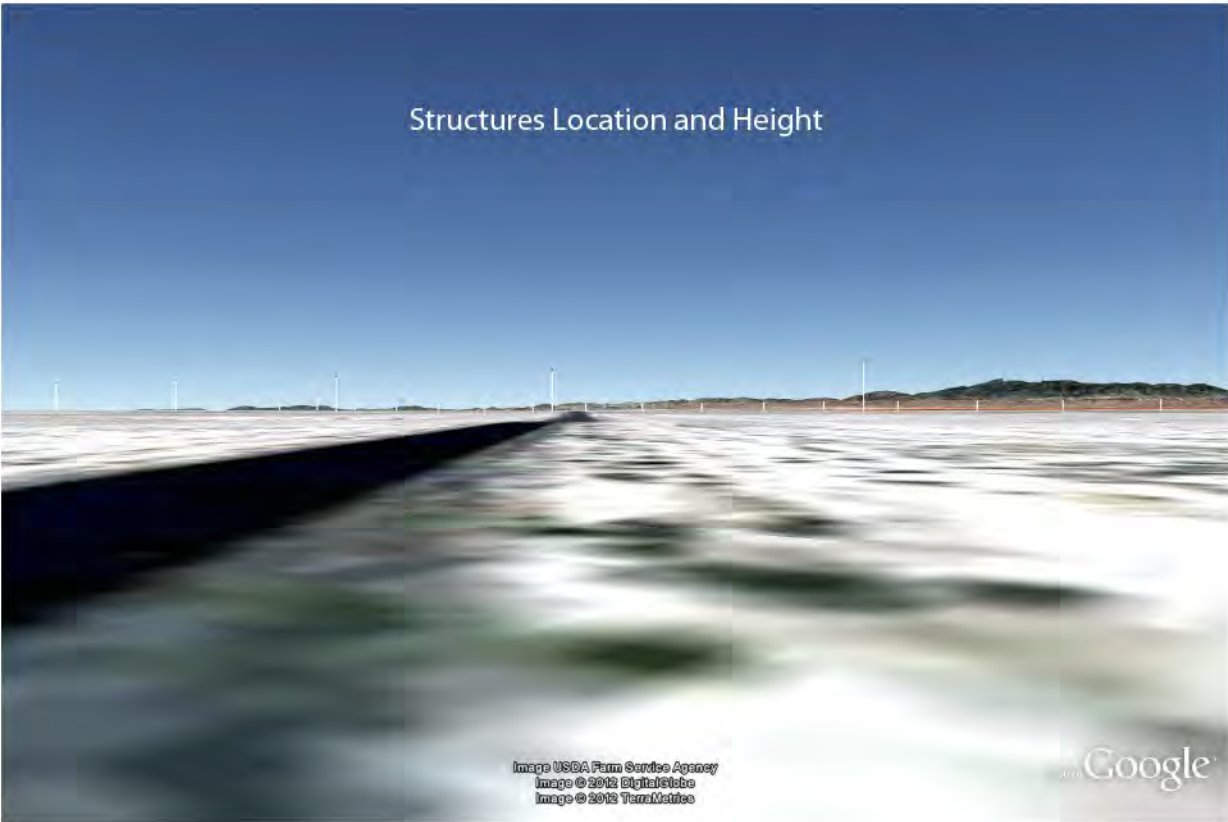
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TRANSMISSION PROJECT

KOP F-16
Utah State Hwy 174
(eastbound)
(Segment 450)





KOP Photograph



Structures Location and Height

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Date 08/19/2011

District Fillmore FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
F-17

3. VRM Class
IV

4. Location U.S. 50
(westbound)
Township 18S
Range 9W
Section 18

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-3

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Planar valley floor and angular mountains.	Clumps of shrubs and grasses.	Pyramidal and planar transmission line structures. Planar roadway.
LINE	Horizontal line of valley floor and angular lines of distant mountains.	Indistinct shrub and grass pattern edges.	Vertical and horizontal t-line structures.
COLOR	Very light to medium tan landform.	Light to medium tan and green shrubs and grasses.	Light to dark grey and brown t-lines. Medium to dark grey roadway.
TEXTURE	Smooth to medium landforms.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Delta steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING ☐ SHORT TERM ☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)			
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)							
		Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None				
Elements	Form															X	3. Additional mitigating measures recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side) Evaluator's Names M. Paulson Date 08/19/2011
	Line															X	
	Color															X	
	Texture															X	

Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.



Project Location



KOP Location

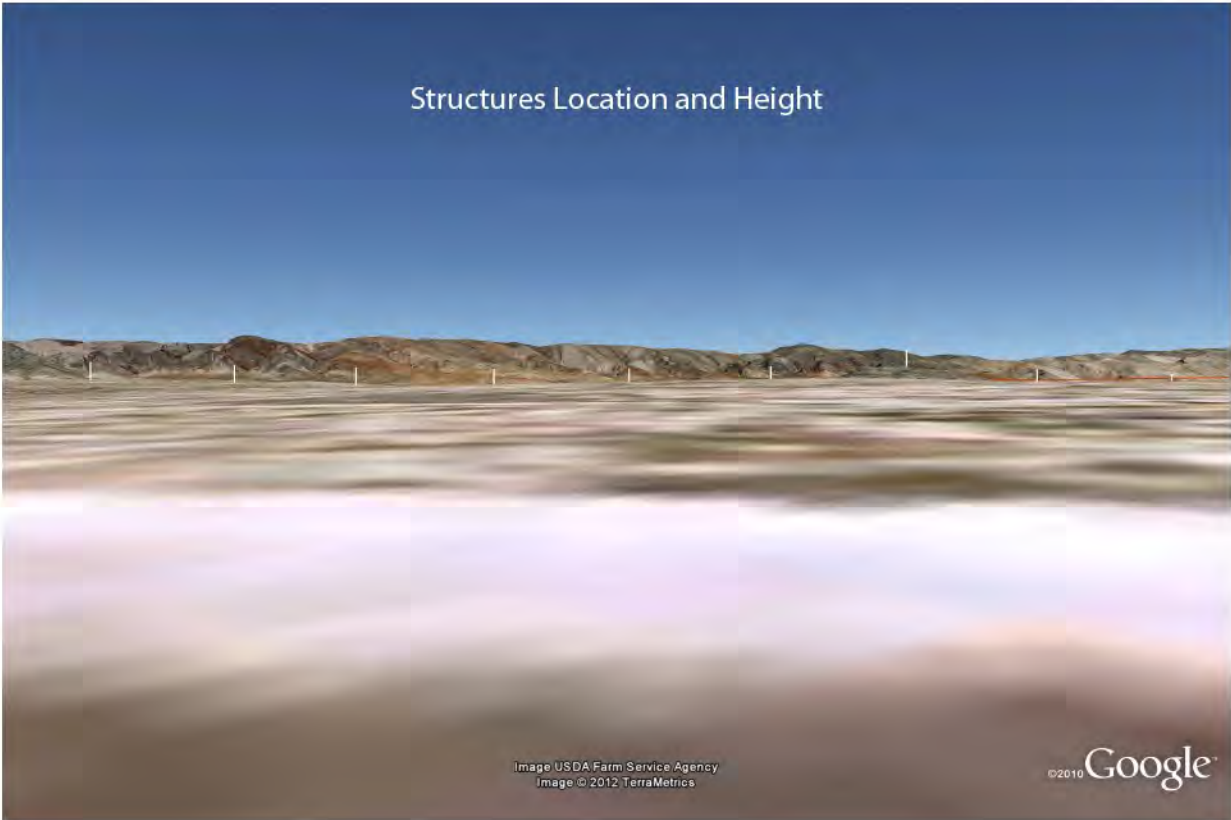
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TRANSMISSION PROJECT

KOP F-17
U.S. 50
(westbound)
(Segment 460)





KOP Photograph



Structures Location and Height

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District Fillmore FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
F-22

3. VRM Class
IV

4. Location Utah SH 257
(southbound)
Township 23S
Range 10W
Section 25

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-3

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM
Planar valley floor and angular mountains.

LINE
Horizontal line of valley floor and angular lines of distant mountains.

COLOR
Very light to medium tan landform.

TEX-
TURE
Smooth to medium landforms.

2. VEGETATION

Clumps of shrubs and grasses.

Indistinct shrub and grass pattern edges.

Light to medium tan and green shrubs and grasses.

Smooth, medium and coarse.

3. STRUCTURES

Pyramidal and planar transmission line structures. Planar roadway.

Vertical and horizontal t-line structures.

Light to dark grey and brown t-lines. Medium to dark grey roadway.

Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

LINE

COLOR

TEX-
TURE

2. VEGETATION

FORM

LINE

COLOR

TEX-
TURE

3. STRUCTURES

Delta steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.

Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.

Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.

Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

DEGREE OF CONTRAST

LAND/WATER BODY (1)

VEGETATION (2)

STRUCTURES (3)

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Form

Line

Color

Texture

X

X

X

X

2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? ☒ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended ☐ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

Evaluator's Names
M. Paulson

Date
08/19/2011

Rationale:

The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.



Project Location



KOP Location

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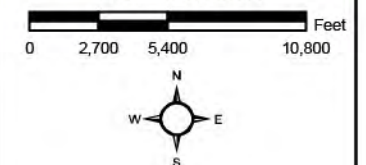
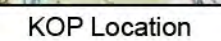
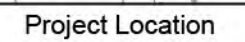
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Utah State Hwy 257
(southbound)
(Segment 480)





Rationale:
Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would be consistent with Moderate SIO or Partial Retention VQO management objectives. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.



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Maple Grove
Campground
(Segment 330.1)

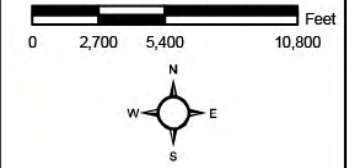




Project Location



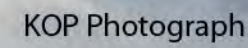
KOP Location



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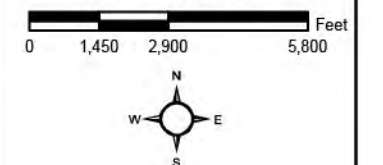
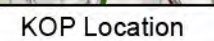
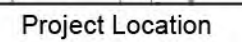
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Simulated Condition
(Segment 330.1)





Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.



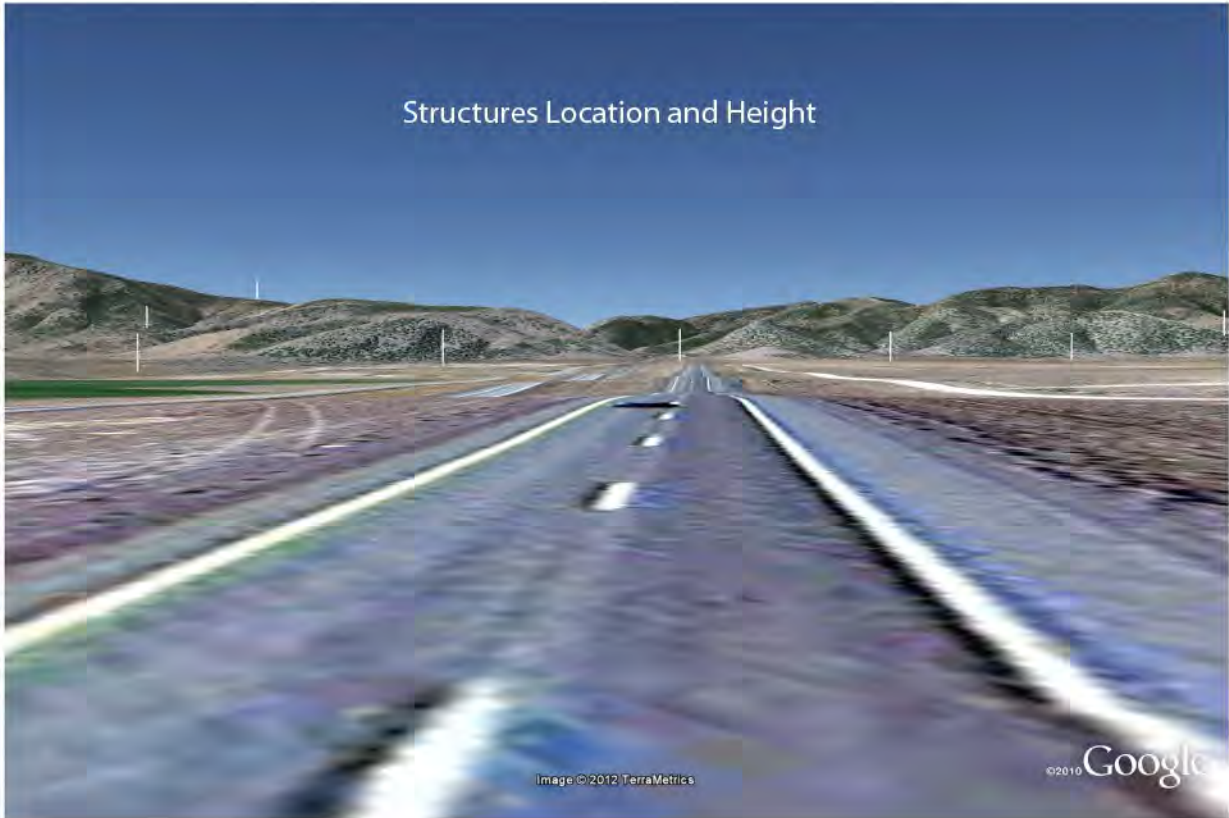
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TRANSMISSION PROJECT**

KOP F-24
U.S. 50
(eastbound)
(Segment 330.1)





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District Fillmore FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
F-25

3. VRM Class
IV (VRI Class III)

4. Location I-15 SB
Township 18S
Range 3W
Section 24

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Prominent rounded mountains and wide valley floor.	Blanket and scattered clumps of pinon-juniper, shrubs and grasses.	Cylindrical poles, planar roadway, and billboard structures.
LINE	Curvilinear and angular mt. ridges and inclined planar valley floor.	Irregular tree and shrub pattern edges.	Vertical poles, horizontal roadway and horizontal and vertical structures.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey rock formations.	Light to medium to dark green trees, shrubs and grasses.	Medium to dark brown poles, light to medium grey road lanes and multi-colored structures.
TEX-TURE	Smooth to medium landforms.	Smooth, moderate and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX-TURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM

☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)			
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)							
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	Line												X				
	Color												X				
	Texture													X			

Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

Project Location

KOP Location

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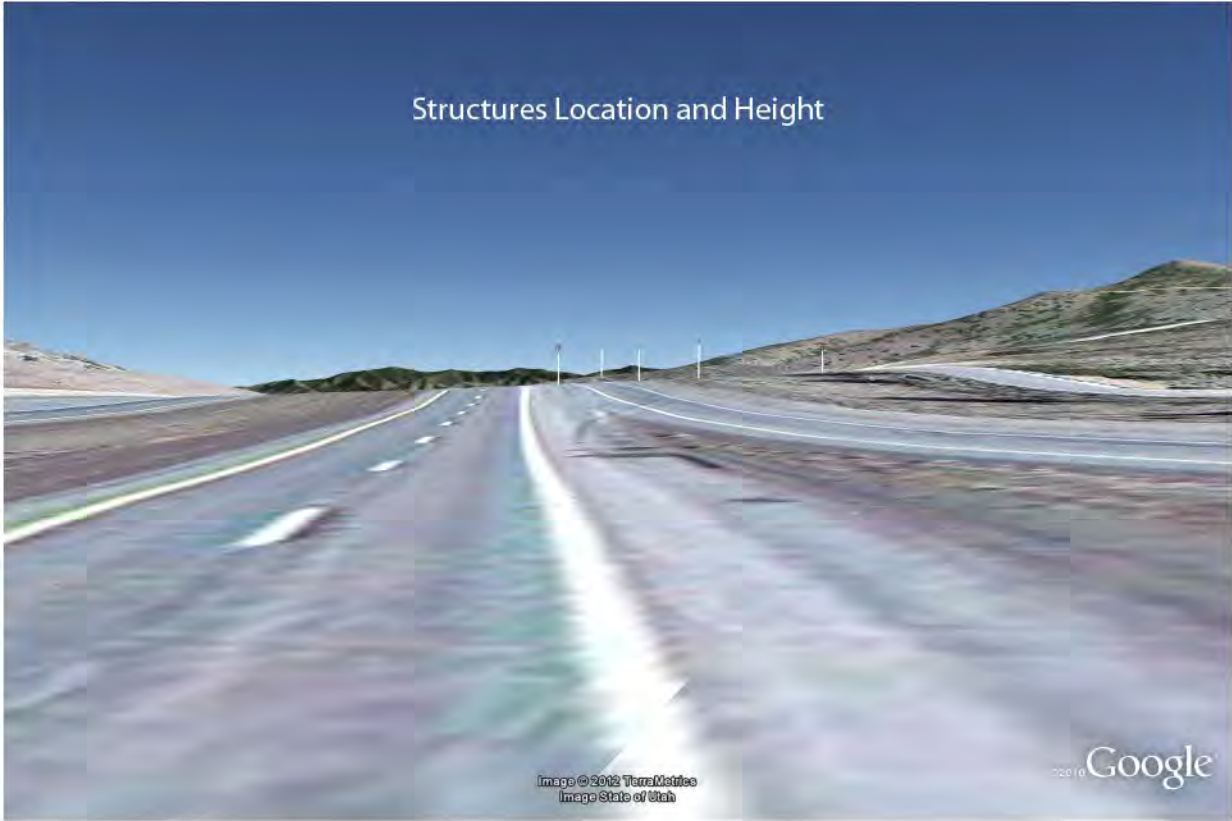
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TRANSWEST EXPRESS
TRANSMISSION PROJECT

KOP F-25
Interstate-15
(southbound)
(Segment 400)



KOP Photograph



Structures Location and Height

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Date 07/27/2011

District Fillmore FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
F-26

3. VRM Class
IV (VRI Class III)

4. Location I-15 NB
Township 18S
Range 3W
Section 34

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Prominent rounded mountains and wide valley floor.	Blanket and scattered clumps of pinon-juniper, shrubs and grasses.	Cylindrical poles and planar roadway lanes.
LINE	Curvilinear and angular mt. ridges and inclined planar valley floor.	Irregular tree and shrub pattern edges.	Vertical poles and horizontal roads.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey rock formations.	Light to medium to dark green trees, shrubs and grasses.	Medium to dark brown poles and light to medium grey roads.
TEXTURE	Smooth to medium landforms.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)		
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)						
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	Color												X			
	Texture												X			

Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

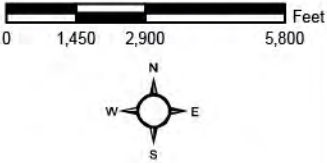
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Project Location



KOP Location



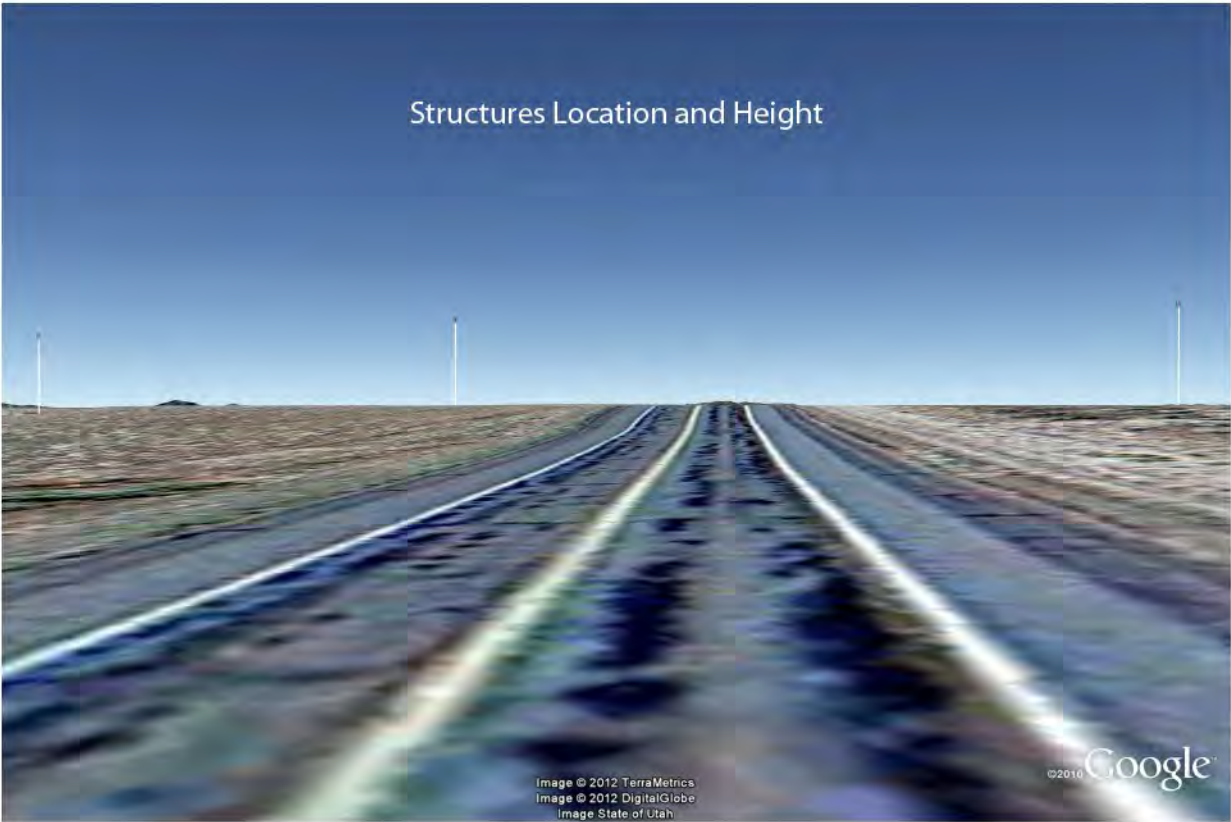
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Interstate 15
(northbound)
(Segment 410)





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Structures Location and Height

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Date 08/18/2011

District Fillmore FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
F-27

3. VRM Class
IV (VRI Class III)

4. Location U.S. 6
(southbound)
Township 16S
Range 6W
Section 13

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM
Planar to gently rolling valley floor.

LINE
Horizontal and slightly angular foreground skyline.

COLOR
Light to medium reddish tan.

TEX-
TURE
Smooth landforms.

2. VEGETATION

Blanket and scattered clumps of shrubs and grasses.

Irregular shrub and grass pattern edges.

Light to medium to dark green shrubs and reddish tan grasses.

Smooth, medium and coarse.

3. STRUCTURES

Planar roadway lanes.

Horizontal road.

Light to medium grey road.

Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

LINE

COLOR

TEX-
TURE

2. VEGETATION

3. STRUCTURES

Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.

Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.

Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.

Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

SHORT TERM

LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST

LAND/WATER BODY (1)

VEGETATION (2)

STRUCTURES (3)

2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? Yes No (Explain on reverse side)

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended Yes No (Explain on reverse side)

Elements

Form

Line

Color

Texture

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

X

X

X

X

Evaluator's Names

Date

M. Paulson

08/18/2011

Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

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A map of the state of Utah showing its boundaries with neighboring states: Idaho, Wyoming, Colorado, Arizona, and New Mexico. A blue dot is located in the southern part of Utah, indicating the project location.

Project Location

A detailed map showing the location of the Key Observation Point (KOP) relative to a road. The road is shown as a green line, and the KOP is marked with a green dot. The map includes a scale bar and a north arrow.

KOP Location

A scale bar showing distances in feet: 0, 1,450, 2,900, and 5,800. Below the scale bar is a north arrow pointing upwards, with labels for North (N), South (S), East (E), and West (W).

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U.S. 6
(southbound)
(Segment 410)

The logo for the Bureau of Land Management, featuring a mountain, a river, and a tree.

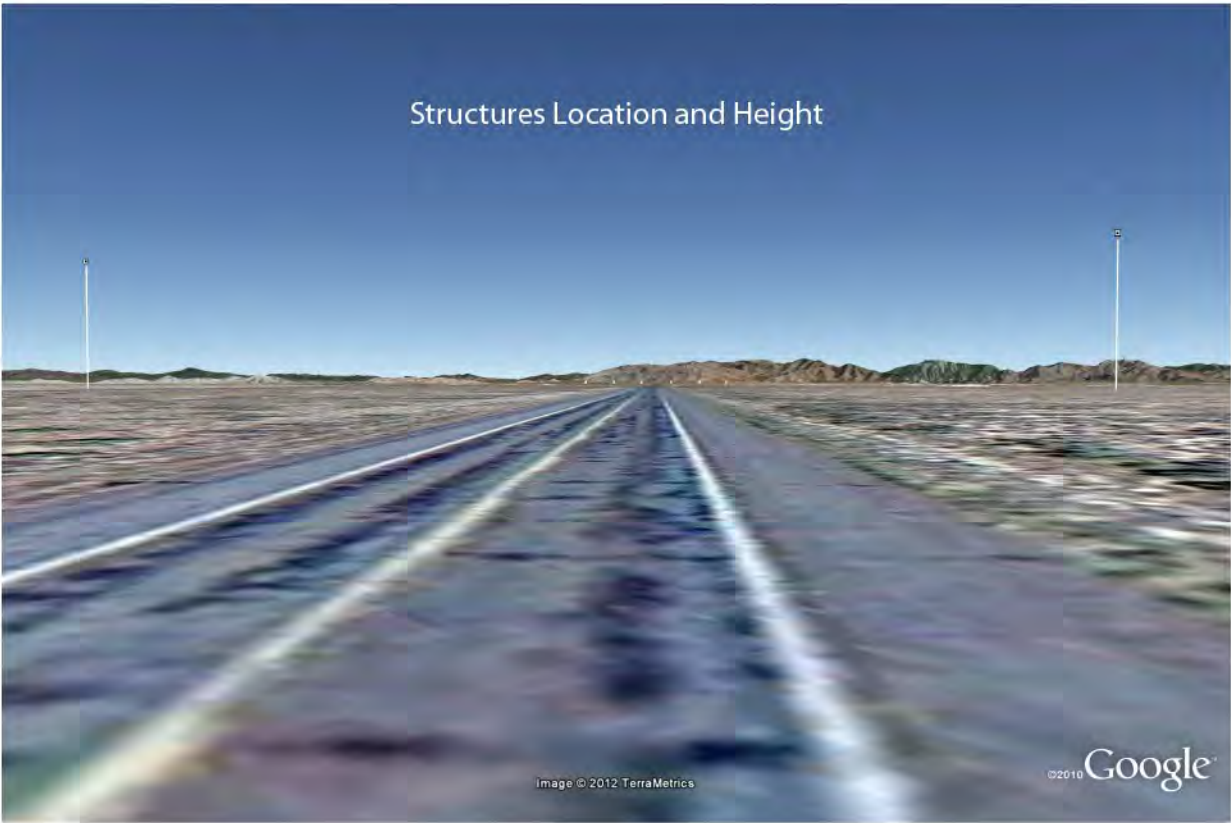
The logo for the Western Area Power Administration, featuring a stylized mountain and the text "Western AREA POWER ADMINISTRATION".

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Date 08/18/2011

District Fillmore FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
F-28

3. VRM Class
IV (VRM Class III)

4. Location U.S. 6
(northbound)

Township 16S

Range 6W

Section 23

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

LINE

COLOR

TEXTURE

Angular mountains and wide valley floor.

Horizontal and slightly angular foreground skyline.

Light to medium reddish tan.

Smooth landforms.

2. VEGETATION

Blanket and scattered clumps of shrubs and grasses.

Irregular shrub and grass pattern edges.

Light to medium to dark green shrubs and reddish tan grasses.

Smooth, medium and coarse.

3. STRUCTURES

Planar roadway lanes. Distance t-lines.

Horizontal road. Vertical t-lines.

Light to medium grey road and t-lines.

Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

LINE

COLOR

TEXTURE

2. VEGETATION

3. STRUCTURES

Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.

Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.

Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.

Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

SHORT TERM

LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST

LAND/WATER BODY (1)

VEGETATION (2)

STRUCTURES (3)

2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? ☒ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended ☐ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Form

Line

Color

Texture

X

X

X

X

Evaluator's Names
M. Paulson

Date
08/18/2011

Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

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Project Location

KOP Location

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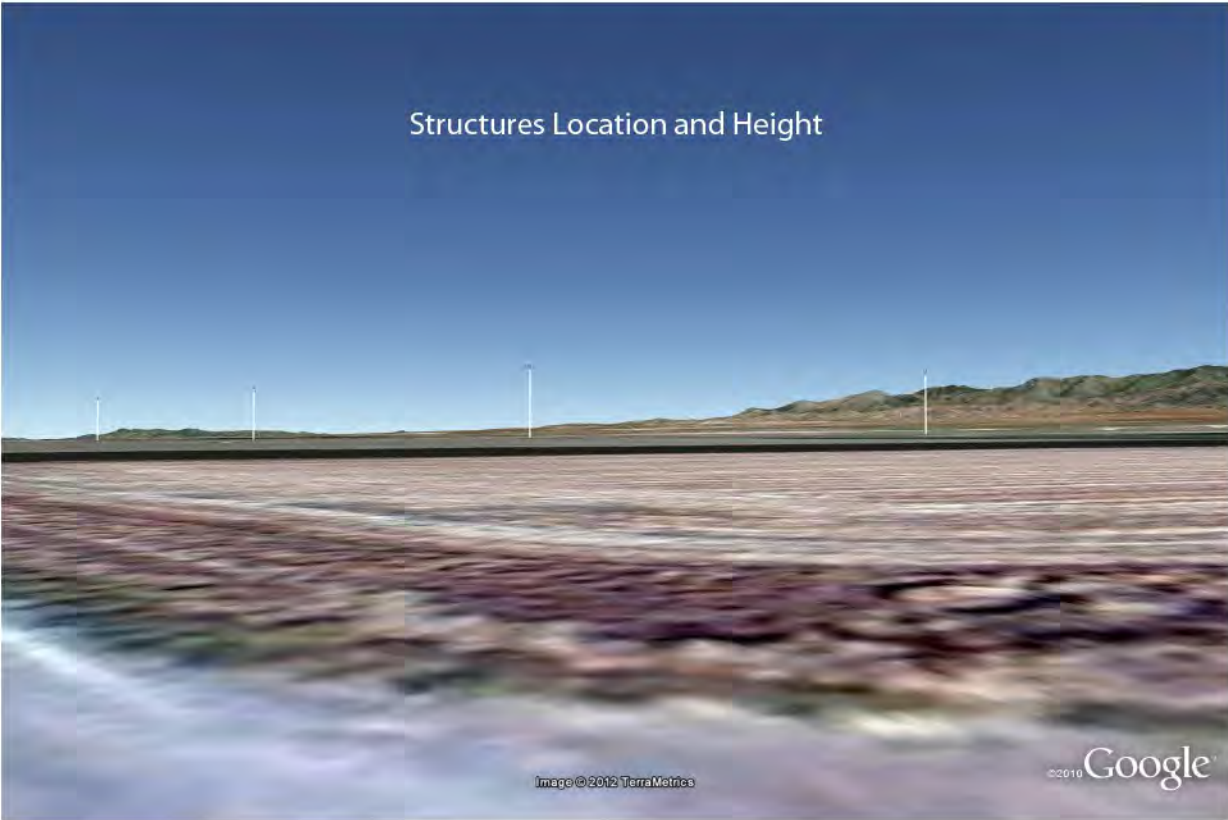
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U.S. 6
(northbound)
(Segment 410)

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VISUAL CONTRAST RATING WORKSHEET

Date 08/19/2011

District Fillmore FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
F-29

3. VRM Class
Private

4. Location U.S. 50
(northbound)
Township 18S
Range 5W
Section 33

5. Location
Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM
Angular mountains and wide valley floor.

LINE
Horizontal and slightly angular foreground skyline.

COLOR
Light to medium reddish tan.

TEX-
TURE
Smooth landforms.

2. VEGETATION

Planar blanket of grasses.

Horizontal fence rows and grass patterns.

Light to medium to dark green shrubs and reddish tan grasses.

Smooth, medium and coarse.

3. STRUCTURES

Planar roadway lanes. Distance t-lines.

Vertical t-lines and fence posts.

Light to medium grey and brown t-lines and fence posts.

Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

LINE

COLOR

TEX-
TURE

2. VEGETATION

FORM

LINE

COLOR

TEX-
TURE

3. STRUCTURES

Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.

Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.

Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.

Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

DEGREE OF CONTRAST

LAND/WATER BODY (1)

VEGETATION (2)

STRUCTURES (3)

2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? ☐ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended ☐ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

SHORT TERM

LONG TERM

Elements

Form

Line

Color

Texture

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Evaluator's Names
M. Paulson

Date
08/19/2011

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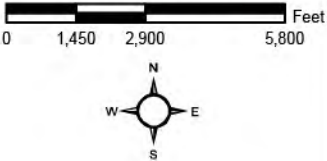
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Project Location



KOP Location



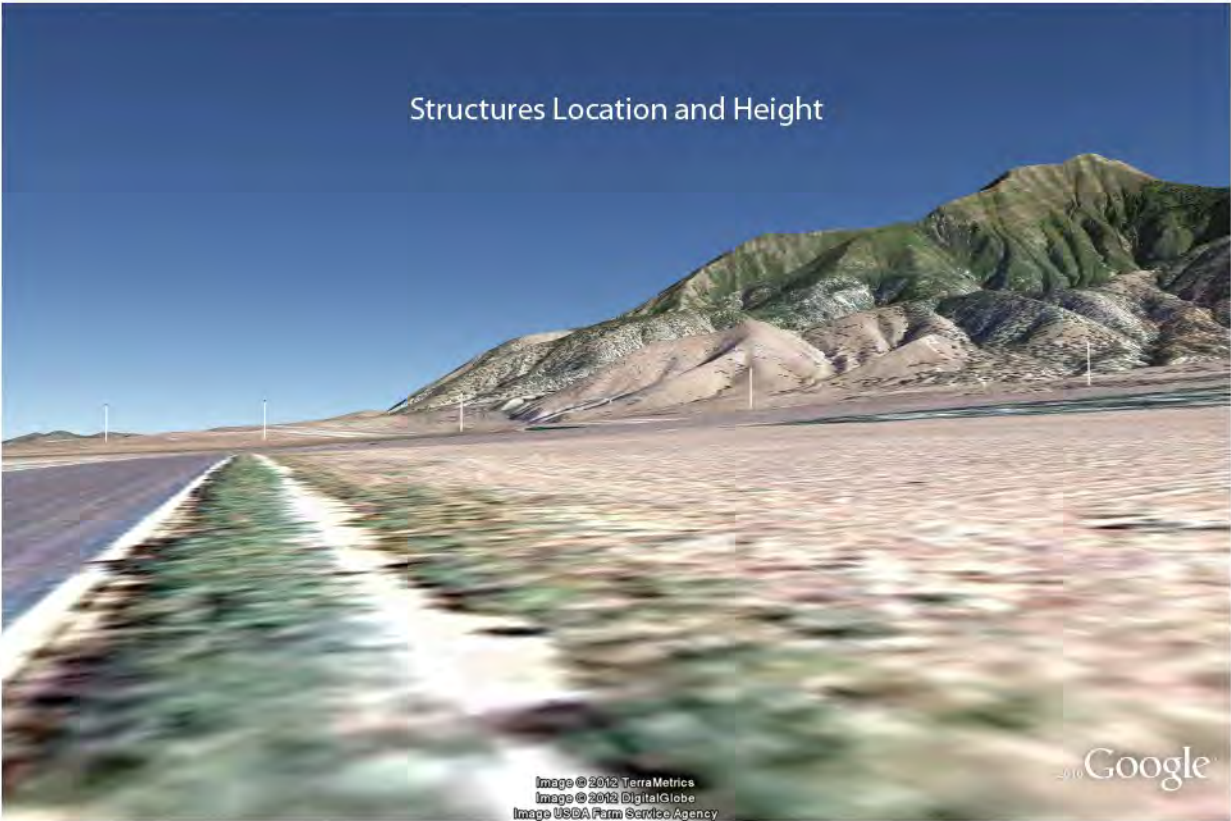
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KOP F-29
U.S. 50
(northbound)
(Segment 410)





KOP Photograph



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VISUAL CONTRAST RATING WORKSHEET

Date 07/27/2011

District Fillmore FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
F-30

3. VRM Class
III

4. Location Nephi City
Street E1250N
Township 12S
Range 1E
Section 33

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Prominent rounded mountains and narrow valley floor.	Scattered clumps of trees, shrubs and grasses.	Cylindrical poles foreground and midground and residential structures.
LINE	Curvilinear and angular mt. ridges and planar valley floor.	Irregular tree and shrub pattern edges.	Vertical poles and horizontal and vertical structures.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey rock formations.	Light to medium to dark green trees, shrubs and grasses.	Medium to dark brown poles and structures.
TEXTURE	Smooth to medium landforms.	Smooth, moderate and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)			
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)							
		Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None				
Elements	Form												X		3. Additional mitigating measures recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	Evaluator's Names M. Paulson	Date 07/27/2011
	Line												X				
	Color												X				
	Texture												X				

Rationale:
Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would comply with VRM Class III management objects. Contrasts in these situations would be moderate or weak. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

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Project Location

KOP Location

0 1,450 2,900 5,800 Feet

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W E
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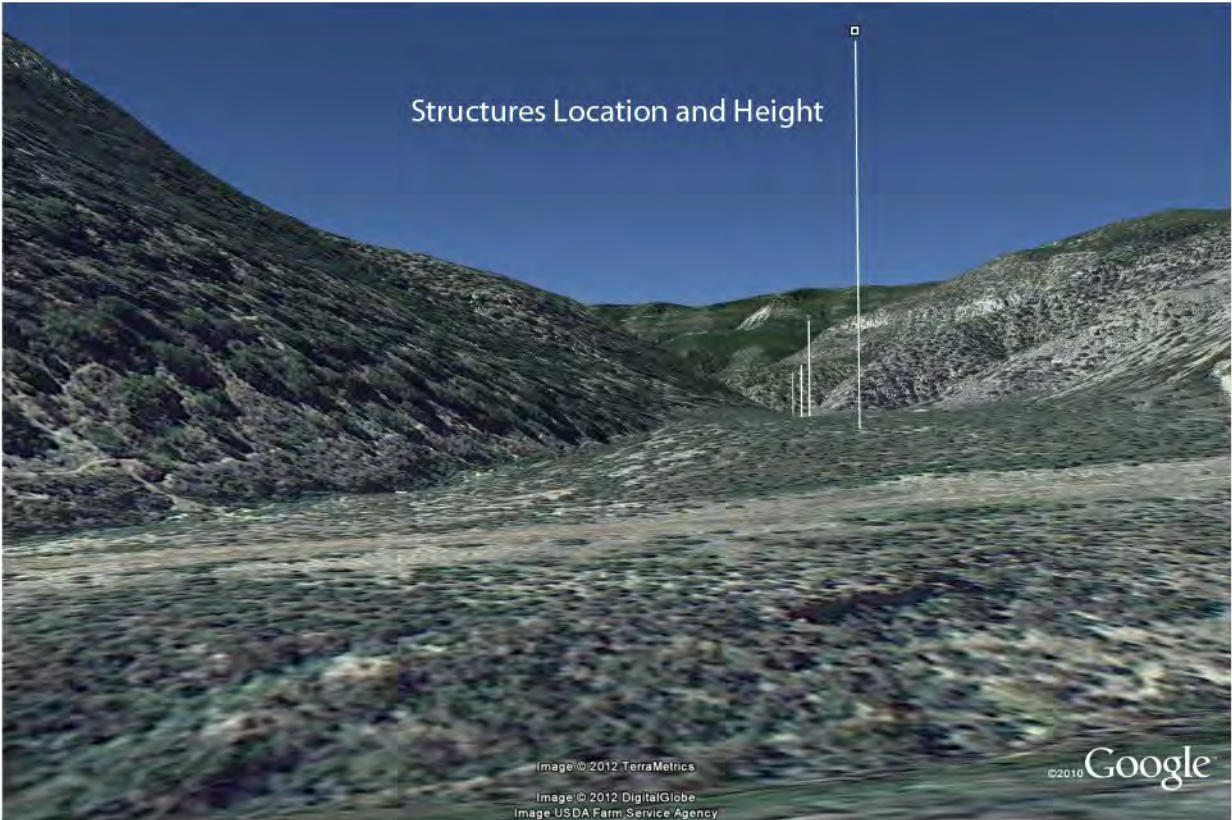
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KOP F-30
Nephi City Street E1250N
(Segment 340)

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KOP Photograph



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VISUAL CONTRAST RATING WORKSHEET

Date 11/07/2010
District Grand Junction FO
Resource Area
Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION																
1. Project Name TransWest Express					4. Location <u>Baxter Pass</u> Road (northbound) Township <u>006S</u> Range <u>103W</u> Section <u>007</u>					5. Location Sketch Please see Figure 3.12-2						
2. Key Observation Point GJ-15																
3. VRM Class Private																
SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION																
1. LAND/WATER					2. VEGETATION					3. STRUCTURES						
FORM	Planar horizontal and angular ridges. Angular side slopes.				Organic planar surface of pinon-juniper and organic clumps of sagebrush and rabbit brush.					NA						
LINE	Strong angular lines of skyline. Angular side slopes and foreground ridgeline.				Indistinct lines in surface of pinon-juniper, sagebrush, rabbit brush and grasses.					NA						
COLOR	Very light, medium, and dark brown slopes.				Dark olive pinon-juniper. Light tan to brown rabbit brush and grasses and light to medium tan sagebrush.					NA						
TEXTURE	Smooth to moderate landform.				Smooth to coarse grasses and sagebrush.					NA						
SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION																
1. LAND/WATER					2. VEGETATION					3. STRUCTURES						
FORM										Strongly pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.						
LINE										Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.						
COLOR										Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.						
TEXTURE										Course steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.						
SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING <input type="checkbox"/> SHORT TERM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LONG TERM																
DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side) 3. Additional mitigating measures recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side) Evaluator's Names M. Paulson Date 11/07/10		
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Elements	Form												X			
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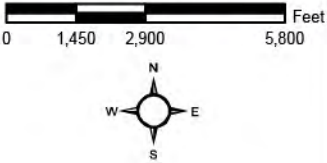
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Project Location



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Baxter Pass Road
(northbound)
(Segment 220.1)

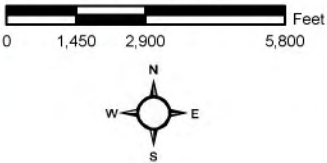




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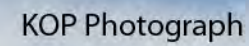
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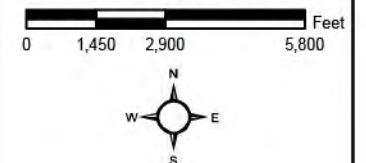
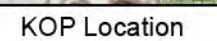
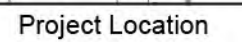
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KOP GJ-15
Simulated Condition
(Segment 220.1)





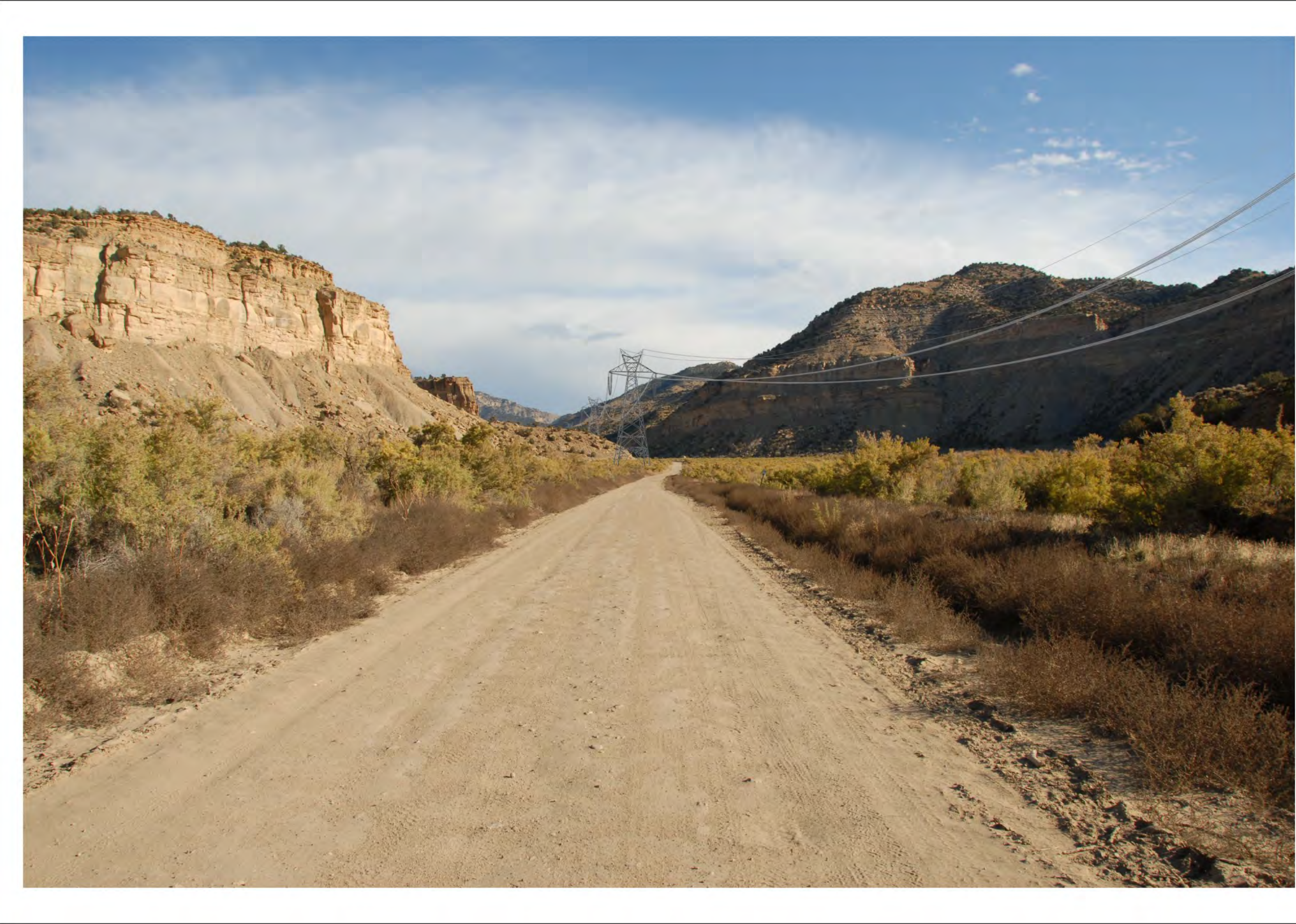
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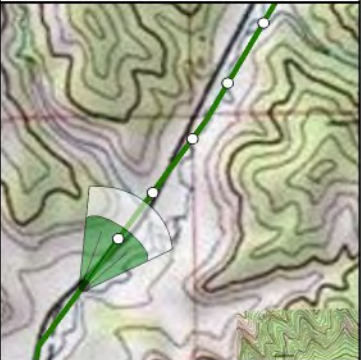
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Baxter Pass Road
(northbound)
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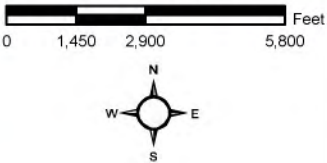




Project Location



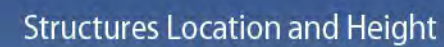
KOP Location



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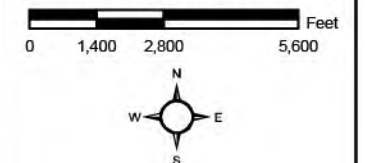
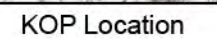
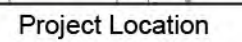
KOP GJ-16
Simulated Condition
(Segment 200.1)





Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

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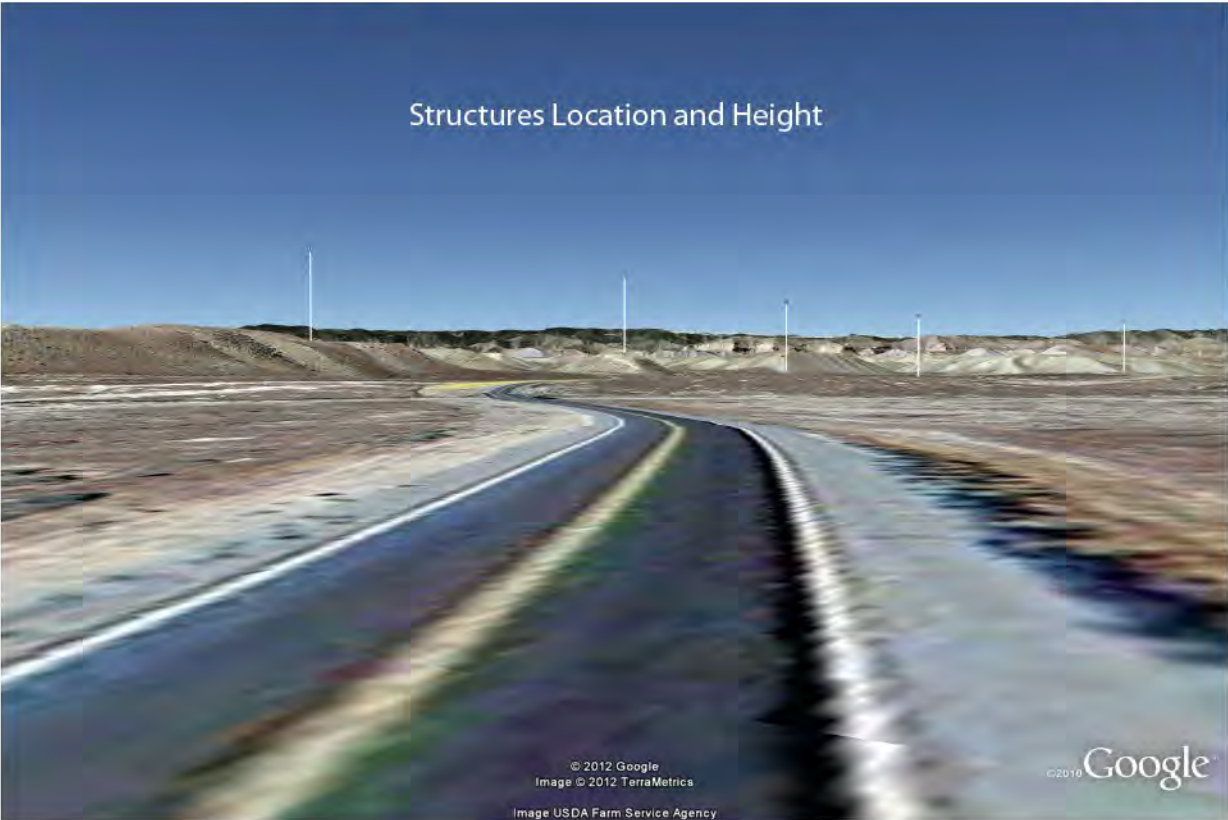
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KOP GJ-17
Old U.S. 6
(westbound)
(Segment 220.1)





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Date 11/07/2010

District Grand Junction FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name TransWest Express	4. Location <u>Baxter Pass</u> Road (northbound) Township <u>009S</u> Range <u>104W</u> Section <u>003</u>	5. Location Sketch Please see Figure 3.12-2
2. Key Observation Point GJ-18		
3. VRM Class IV (VRI Class IV)		

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Planar cliffs and angular ridges. Angular side slopes.	Organic planar surface of pinon-juniper and organic clumps of sagebrush, rabbit brush, and grasses.	Planar road and shoulders, and bridge.
LINE	Strong vertical and horizontal banded lines of cliffs. Angular side slopes.	Indistinct lines in surface of pinon-juniper, sagebrush, rabbit brush and grasses.	Curved lines of roadway. Vertical and horizontal lines of bridge.
COLOR	Very light, medium, and dark brown slopes.	Dark olive pinon-juniper. Light tan to brown rabbit brush and grasses and light to medium tan sagebrush.	Dark grey road surface. Light tan shoulders. White to medium grey bridge structure.
TEXTURE	Smooth to moderate cliffs and overall landform.	Smooth to coarse pinon-juniper, grasses, rabbit brush and sagebrush.	Smooth roadway and shoulders and medium bridge..

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Strongly pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Course steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING ☐ SHORT TERM ☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)					
		Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	3. Additional mitigating measures recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	
Elements	Form									X					
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	Color										X				
	Texture											X			

Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

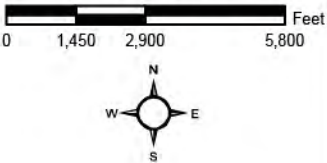
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Project Location



KOP Location



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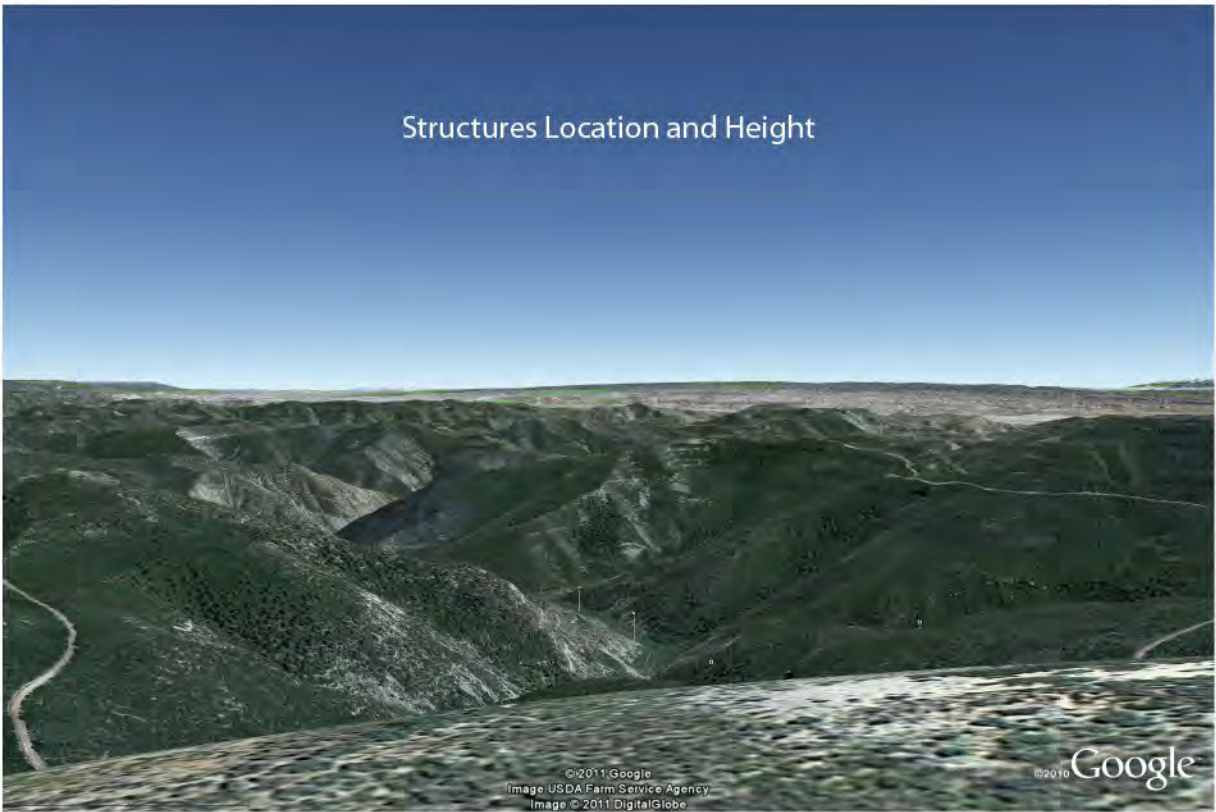
KOP GJ-18
Baxter Pass Road
(northbound)
(Segment 220.1)



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Structures Location and Height



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Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
GJ-19

3. VRM Class
Private

4. Location Baxter Pass
South View
Township 005S
Range 103W
Section 034

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Planar horizontal and angular ridges. Angular side slopes.	Organic planar surface of spruce-fir, pinon-juniper and organic clumps of sagebrush and rabbit brush.	NA
LINE	Strong angular lines of skyline. Angular side slopes and foreground ridgeline.	Indistinct lines in surface of spruce-fir, pinon-juniper, sagebrush, rabbit brush and grasses.	NA
COLOR	Very light, medium, and dark brown slopes.	Dark olive spruce-fir and pinon-juniper. Light tan to brown rabbit brush and grasses and light to medium tan sagebrush.	NA
TEX- TURE	Smooth to moderate landform.	Smooth to coarse trees, grasses and sagebrush.	NA

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM		ROW clearing creates planar forms.	Strongly pyramidal steel lattice structures, and tubular conductors.
LINE		ROW clearing creates horizontal edges.	Vertical steel lattice structures and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR		ROW clearing creates sagebrush and grass colors – bluish greens and tans.	Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures and conductors.
TEX- TURE		ROW clearing creates smooth textures.	Course steel lattice structures and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING ☐ SHORT TERM ☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)			
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)							
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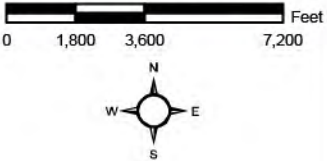
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(south view)
(Segment 220.1)

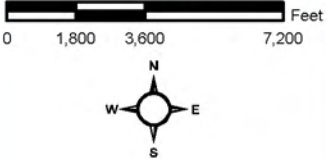




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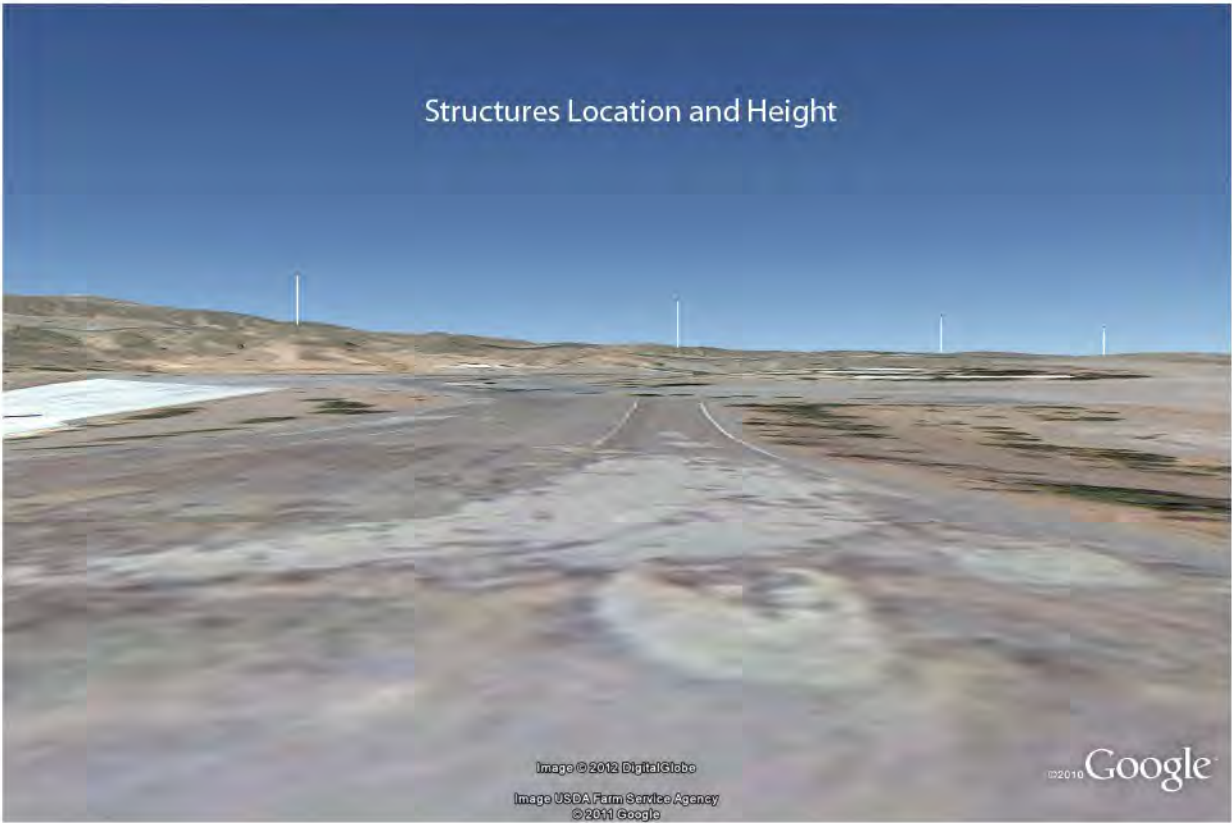
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Date 09/09/2011

District Southern Nevada DO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
LMNRA-1

3. VRM Class
NA

4. Location Las Vegas
Bay Boat Launch
Township 21S
Range 64E
Section 019

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-4

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Planar, graded boat launch parking and angular mountains.	Clumps of palm trees, shrubs and grasses.	Planar roadway and parking area. Cubed buildings and cylindrical utilities.
LINE	Curvilinear and angular ridgelines.	Irregular palm trees, shrubs and grass patterns.	Horizontal roadways and parking. Horizontal and vertical buildings. Vertical utilities.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey..	Dark green palm trees and shrubs and tan desert shrubs and grasses.	Light, medium grey roadway and parking. Light grey and reddish tan buildings. Medium to dark grey utilities.
TEXTURE	Smooth to medium landform.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

DEGREE OF CONTRAST

Elements

LAND/WATER BODY (1)

VEGETATION (2)

STRUCTURES (3)

Strong

Moderate

Weak

Note

Strong

Moderate

Weak

Note

Strong

Moderate

Weak

Note

2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? ☐ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended ☐ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

Form

Line

Color

Texture

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X

X

X

Evaluator's Names
M. Paulson

Date
09/09/2011

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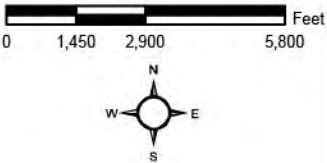
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Project Location



KOP Location



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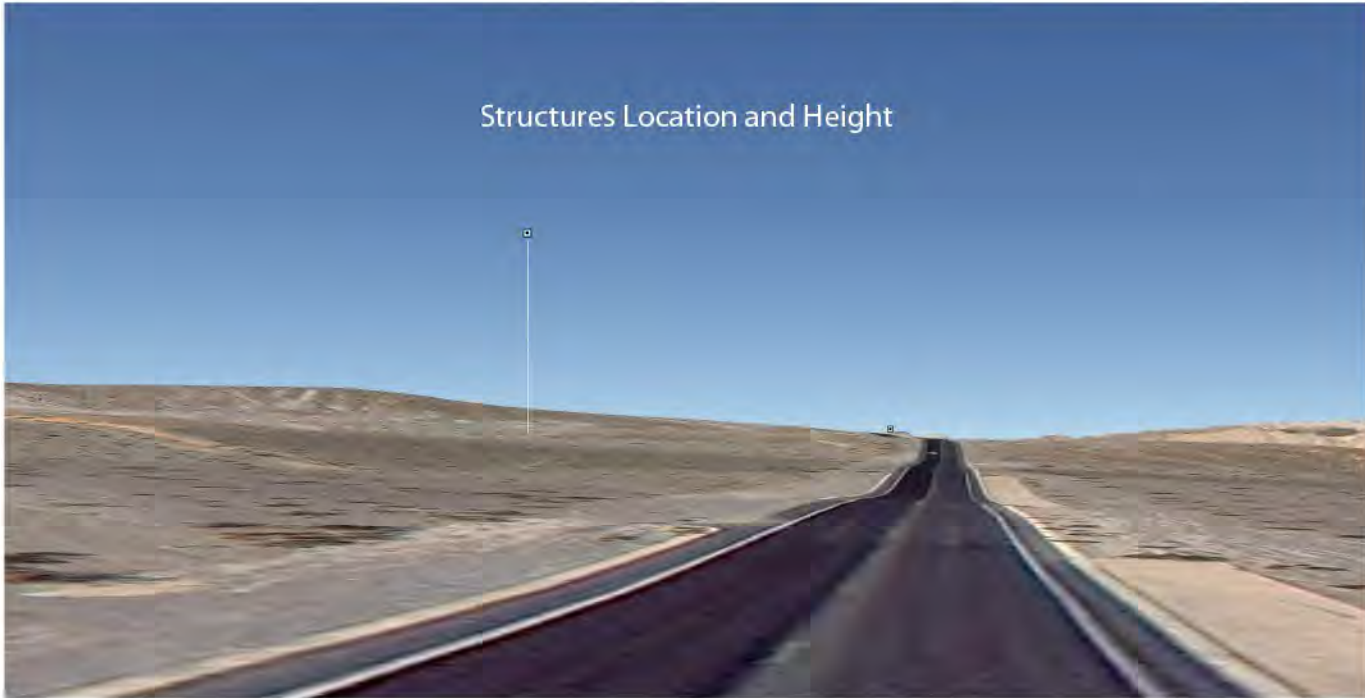
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Las Vegas Bay
Boat Launch
(Segment 710)



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Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
LMNRA-2

3. VRM Class
NA

4. Location Lake Mead-
Lakeshore Dr.
Township 21S
Range 63E
Section 013

5. Location
Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-4

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Rolling hills and angular mountains.	Clumps of desert shrubs and grasses.	Planar roadway
LINE	Curvilinear and angular ridgelines.	Irregular shrub and grass patterns.	Horizontal roadway..
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey..	Tan to brown shrubs and grasses.	Light, medium grey and tan roadways.
TEX- TURE	Smooth to medium landform.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structure, spherical jumpers, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, rounded jumpers, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, jumpers, and conductors.
TEX- TURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)			
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)							
		Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None				
Elements	Form									X	X			3. Additional mitigating measures recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)			
	Line									X	X						
	Color									X	X						
	Texture									X	X						
														Evaluator's Names M. Paulson			
														Date 09/09/2011			

Rationale:

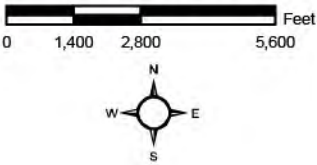
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KOP Location



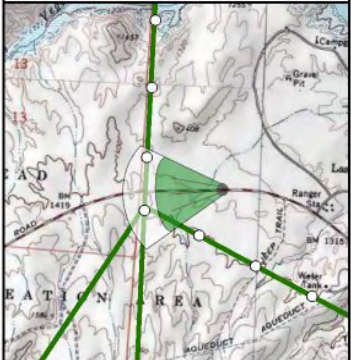
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Lake Mead
Lakeshore Drive
(Segment 710)

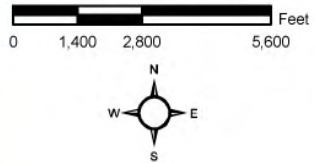




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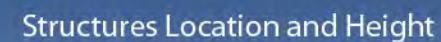
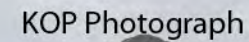
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Simulated Condition
(Segment 710)





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District Southern Nevada DO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
LMNRA-4

3. VRM Class
NA

4. Location Lk Mead Vis
Ctr. (93 westbound).
Township 22S
Range 64E
Section 26

5. Location
Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-4

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Rolling hills and angular mountains.	Clumps of desert shrubs and grasses.	Planar roadway. Cubed residential buildings and cylindrical h-frame poles.
LINE	Angular rock formations and ridgelines.	Irregular shrubs and grass patterns.	Horizontal roadways. Horizontal and vertical buildings. Vertical utilities.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey..	Dark green and tan desert shrubs and grasses.	Light, medium grey roadway. Multiple colors of structures. Medium to dark brown utilities.
TEX- TURE	Smooth to medium landform.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)					
		Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None		
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Rationale:

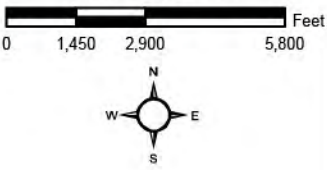
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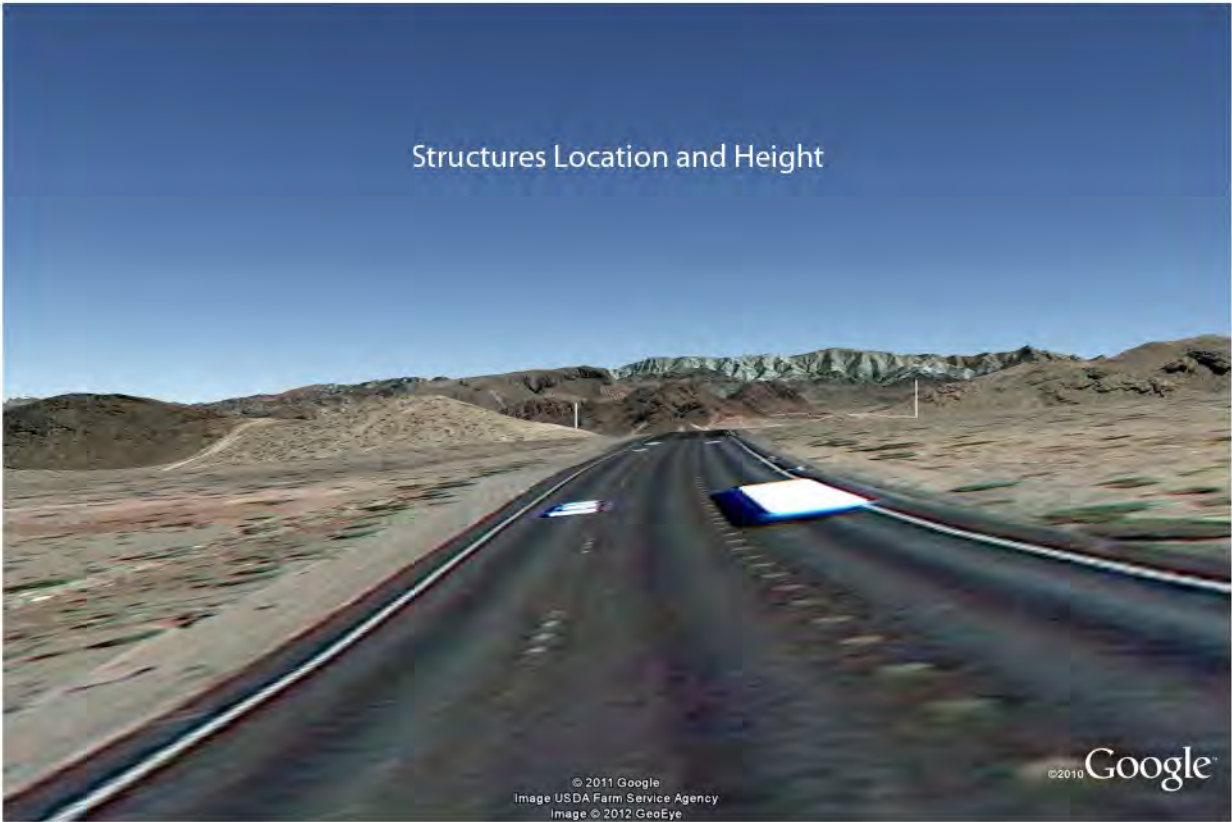
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KOP LMNRA-4
Lake Mead Visitor Center
(93 westbound)
(Segment 770)





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Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
LMNRA-5

3. VRM Class
NA

4. Location U.S. 93
(eastbound).
Township 22S
Range 64E
Section 034

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-4

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Rolling hills and angular mountains.	Clumps of desert shrubs and grasses.	Planar roadway. Pyramidal steel lattice structures. Cubed hotel and cylindrical utility pole.
LINE	Angular rock formations and ridgelines.	Irregular shrubs and grass patterns.	Horizontal roadway. Horizontal and vertical building. Vertical utilities.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey..	Dark green and tan desert shrubs and grasses.	Light, medium grey roadway. Tan reddish brown structures. Medium to dark brown utilities.
TEX- TURE	Smooth to medium landform.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)					
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	Texture												X		
														Evaluator's Names M. Paulson	Date 09/09/2011

Rationale:

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Project Location

KOP Location

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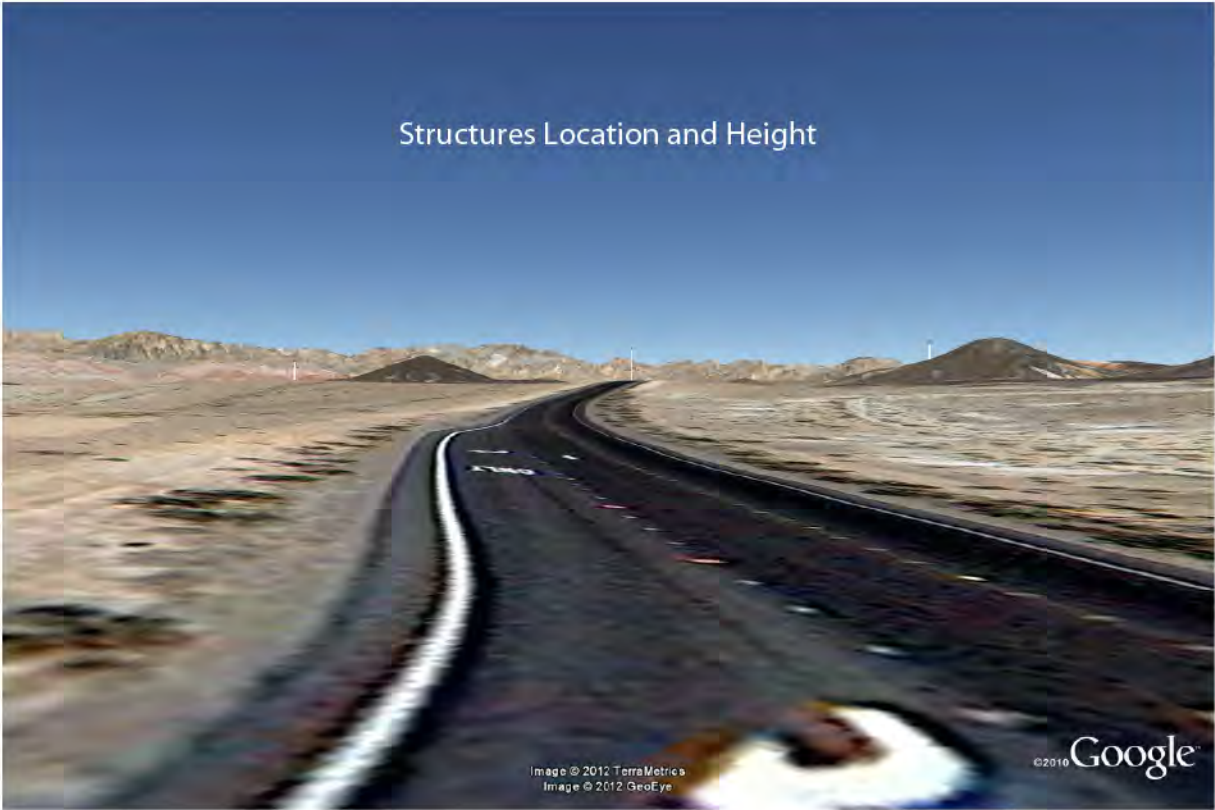
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KOP LMNRA-5
U.S. 93
(eastbound)
(Segment 770)



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Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
LMNRA-6

3. VRM Class
Private

4. Location Lake Mead Blvd (northbound), Township 20S Range 63E Section 035

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-4

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM
Rolling hills and angular mountains.

LINE
Curvilinear and angular ridgelines.

COLOR
Light to medium reddish tan and grey..

TEX-
TURE
Smooth to medium landform.

2. VEGETATION

FORM
Clumps of desert shrubs and grasses.

LINE
Irregular shrubs and grass patterns.

COLOR
Dark brown and tan desert shrubs and grasses.

TEX-
TURE
Smooth, medium and coarse.

3. STRUCTURES

FORM
Planar roadway and pullout parking. Multiple pyramidal steel lattice structures.

LINE
Horizontal roadway. Vertical t-line structures.

COLOR
Medium to dark grey roadway. Medium to dark grey utilities.

TEX-
TURE
Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

LINE

COLOR

TEX-
TURE

2. VEGETATION

FORM

LINE

COLOR

TEX-
TURE

3. STRUCTURES

Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.

Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.

Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.

Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

SHORT TERM

LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST

LAND/WATER BODY (1)

VEGETATION (2)

STRUCTURES (3)

2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? Yes No (Explain on reverse side)

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended Yes No (Explain on reverse side)

Elements

Form

Line

Color

Texture

Evaluator's Names
M. Paulson

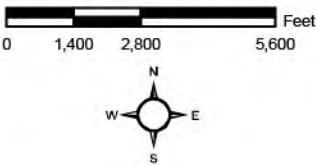
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Project Location



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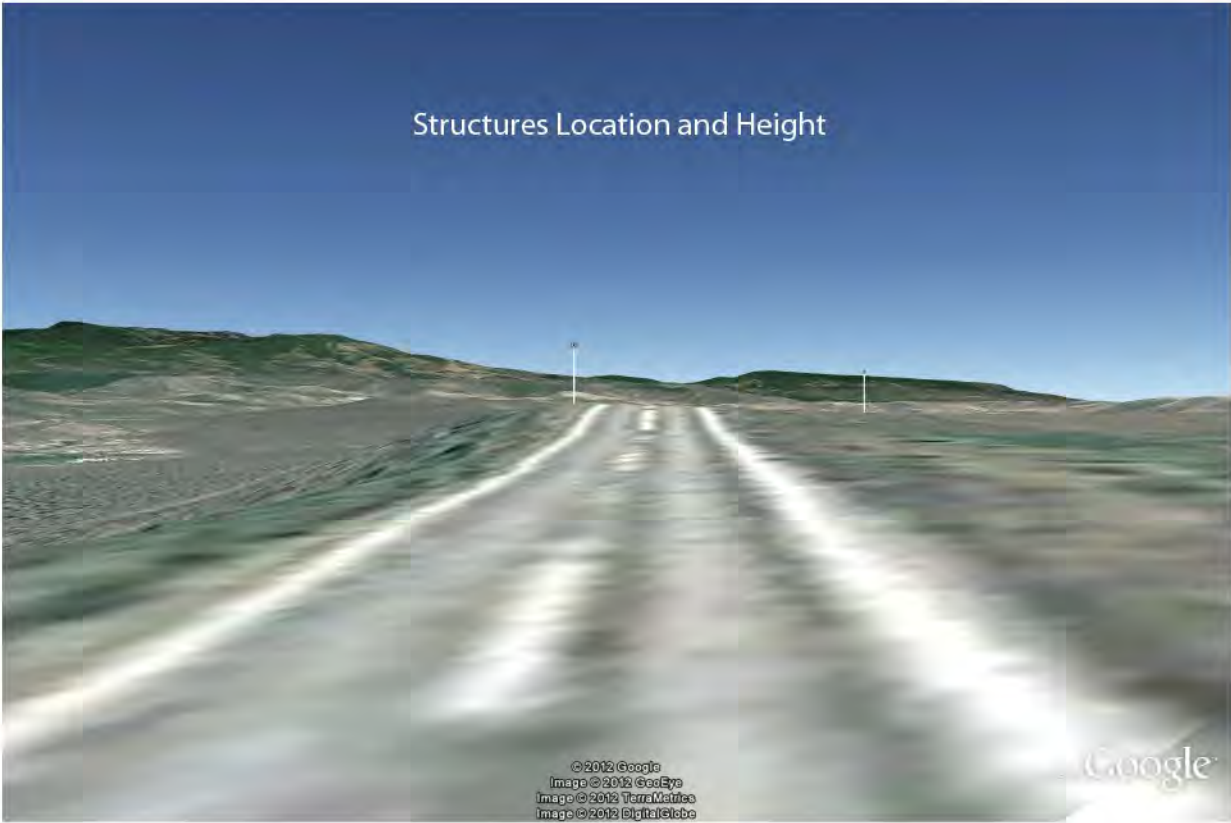


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KOP LMNRA-6
Lake Mead Boulevard
(northbound)
(Segment 650)



Rationale:
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District Little Snake FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
LS-1

3. VRM Class
IV (VRM Class III)

4. Location Colo. SH 13
(southbound)

Township 010N

Range 091W

Section 011

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-1

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

LINE

COLOR

TEXTURE

2. VEGETATION

FORM

LINE

COLOR

TEXTURE

3. STRUCTURES

FORM

LINE

COLOR

TEXTURE

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

LINE

COLOR

TEXTURE

2. VEGETATION

FORM

LINE

COLOR

TEXTURE

3. STRUCTURES

FORM

LINE

COLOR

TEXTURE

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

SHORT TERM

LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST

LAND/WATER BODY (1)

VEGETATION (2)

STRUCTURES (3)

2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? ☒ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended ☐ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

Elements

Form

Line

Color

Texture

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

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Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

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X

Evaluator's Names

Date

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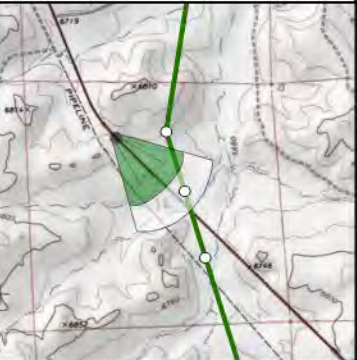
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Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

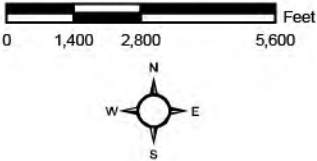
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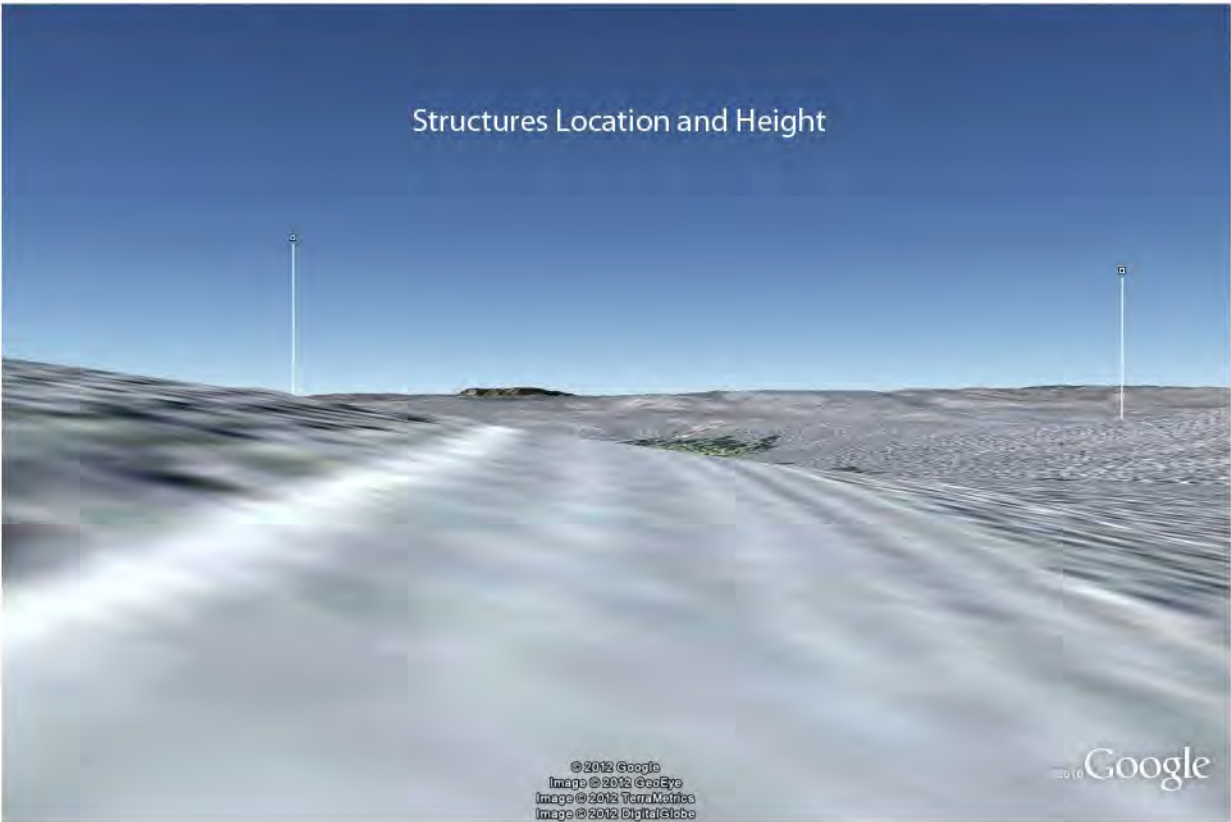
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KOP LS-1
Colo State Highway 13
(southbound)
(Segment 190)





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Structures Location and Height

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District Little Snake FO
Resource Area
Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name TransWest Express	4. Location Recreation Road - Residential Township 009N Range 090W Section 035	5. Location Sketch Please see Figure 3.12-1
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SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER		2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Planar ridges. Angular mountain backdrop and side slopes and erosion cuts.	Organic clumps of mature cottonwoods and rabbit brush and sagebrush. Planar grass patterns..	Cubed and pyramidal ranch buildings. Planar road.
LINE	Strong horizontal ridge and mountain skyline. Angular side slopes. Horizontal valley floor.	Indistinct curvilinear cottonwood trees, rabbit brush and sagebrush.	Horizontal and vertical lines of ranch buildings. Curved road.
COLOR	Very light, medium, and dark brown slopes.	Orange, tan and brown mature cottonwoods. Gold to tan and brown rabbit brush and sagebrush.	Light to medium tan ranch buildings..Light to medium grey roadway.
TEX- TURE	Smooth landforms.	Coarse cottonwoods and shrubs.	Smooth ranch buildings and medium roadway..

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER		2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Strongly pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE			Course steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING ☐ SHORT TERM ☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)					
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Elements	Form									X				3. Additional mitigating measures recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	
	Line										X				
	Color										X				
	Texture											X			
														Evaluator's Names M. Paulson	Date 07/22/2011

Rationale:
Where the Project would be located within 0.5 miles of the viewer and does not parallel an existing transmission line and/or where access roads and vegetation clearing would occur in moderate to steep terrain, it would have a strong contrast and would not comply with VRM Class III management objectives. Mitigation measures (VR-1 and VR-7) would reduce strong contrasts to moderate resulting in moderate to low residual impacts where the Project is located more than 0.5 miles away from viewer locations.

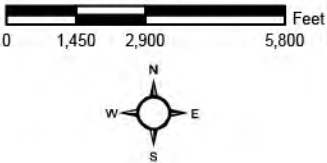
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Project Location



KOP Location



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Recreation Road
Residential
(Segment 190)

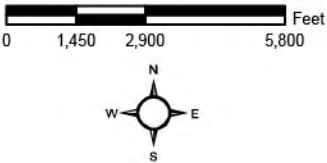




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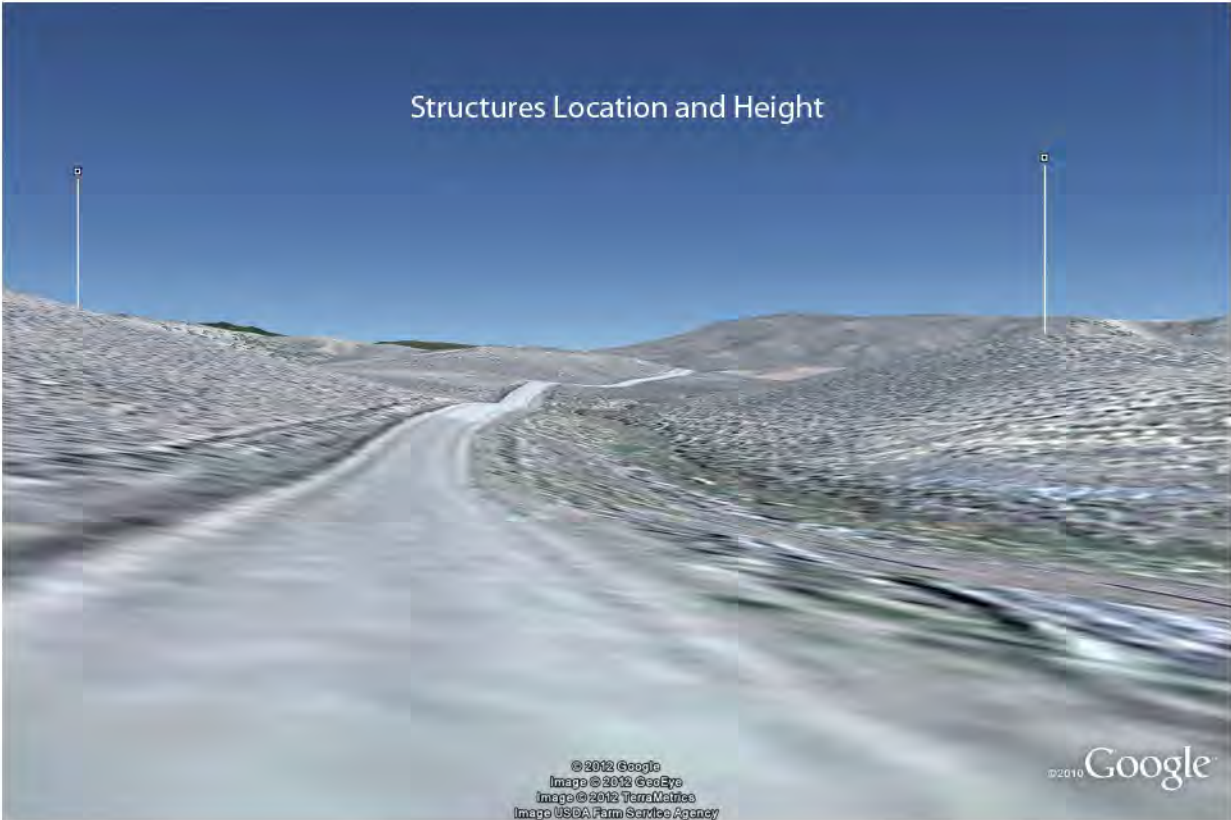
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KOP LS-2
Simulated Condition
(Segment 190)





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Structures Location and Height

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Date 10/24/2010

District Little Snake FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION																
1. Project Name TransWest Express				4. Location <u>Recreation Road</u>				5. Location Sketch Please see Figure 3.12-1								
2. Key Observation Point LS-3				Township <u>008N</u>												
3. VRM Class III				Range <u>090W</u>				Section <u>003</u>								
SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION																
1. LAND/WATER				2. VEGETATION				3. STRUCTURES								
FORM	Planar ridges. Angular mountain backdrop and side slopes.			Organic clumps of pinon-juniper, rabbit brush and sagebrush. Planar grass patterns.				Cylindrical utility poles. Planar road.								
LINE	Strong horizontal ridge and mountain skyline. Angular side slopes and valley.			Indistinct pinon-juniper, rabbit brush and sagebrush.				Vertical lines of utility poles. Curved road.								
COLOR	Very light, medium, and dark brown slopes.			Gold to tan and brown rabbit brush and sagebrush. Dark olive green pinon-juniper.				Light to medium brown utility poles. Medium to dark grey roadway.								
TEXTURE	Smooth landforms.			Coarse pinon-juniper and shrubs.				Smooth utility poles and wood pile and medium roadway..								
SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION																
1. LAND/WATER				2. VEGETATION				3. STRUCTURES								
FORM								Strongly pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.								
LINE								Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.								
COLOR								Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.								
TEXTURE								Course steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.								
SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING <input type="checkbox"/> SHORT TERM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LONG TERM																
DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)		
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)						
		Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None			
Elements	Form												X			3. Additional mitigating measures recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)
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Evaluator's Names M. Paulson														Date 07/22/2011		

Rationale:
Where the Project would be located within 0.5 miles of the viewer and does not parallel an existing transmission line and/or where access roads and vegetation clearing would occur in moderate to steep terrain, it would have a strong contrast and would not comply with VRM Class III management objectives. Mitigation measures (VR-1 and VR-7) would reduce strong contrasts to moderate resulting in moderate to low residual impacts where the Project is located more than 0.5 miles away from viewer locations.

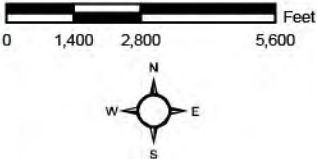
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Project Location



KOP Location



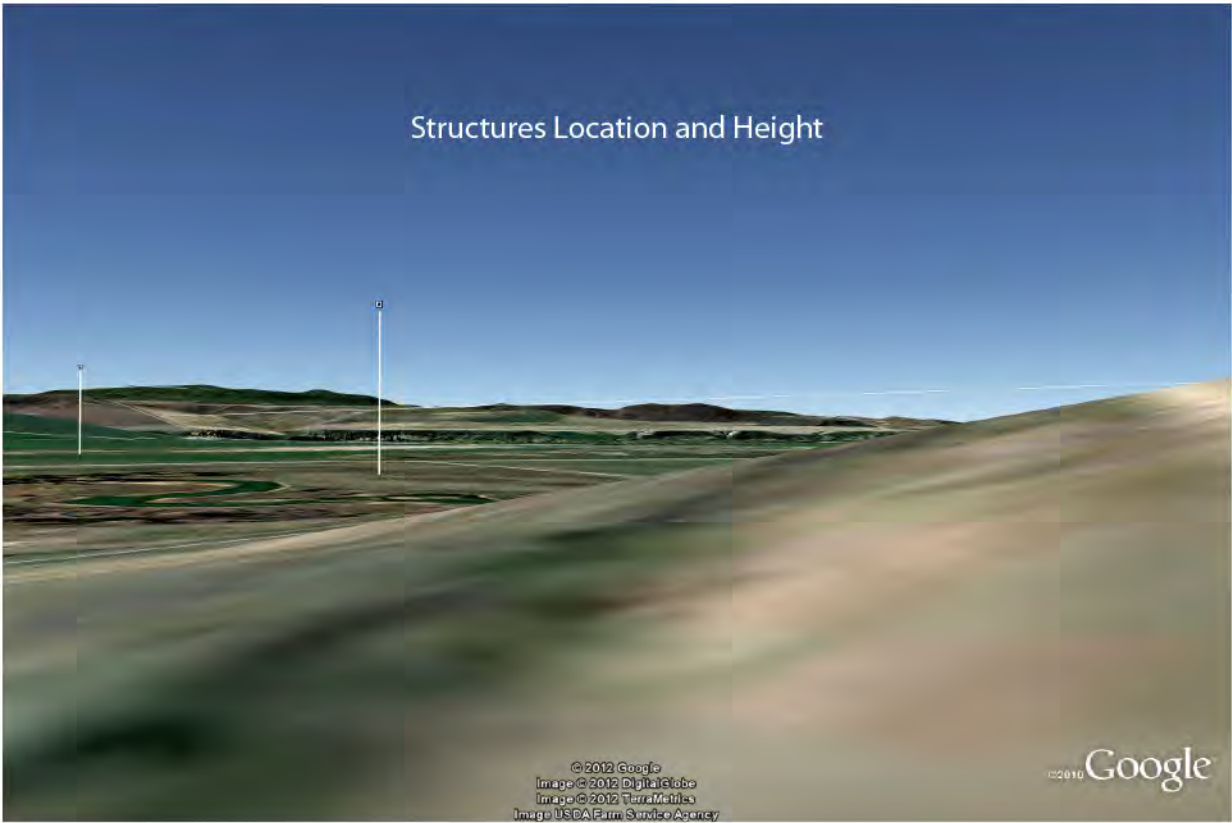
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KOP LS-3
Recreation Road
(Segment 190)





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Structures Location and Height

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VISUAL CONTRAST RATING WORKSHEET

Date 07/22/2011

District Little Snake FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
LS-4

3. VRM Class
Private

4. Location Recreation
Road - Residential

Township 007N

Range 089W

Section 30

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-1

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Planar ridges. Angular mountain backdrop and side slopes and erosion cuts.	Organic clumps of mature cottonwoods and riparian shrubs. Planar grass patterns..	Cubed and pyramidal ranch buildings.
LINE	Strong horizontal ridge and mountain skyline. Angular side slopes. Horizontal valley floor.	Distinct curvilinear cottonwood trees and meandering linear bands of riparian shrubs. Horizontal grassland edges.	Indistinct horizontal and vertical lines of ranch buildings..
COLOR	Very light, medium, and dark brown exposed eroded slopes.	Olive green mature cottonwoods. Yellowish olive green greasewood. Bright green field grasses and golden tan to brown native grasses.	Light to moderate grey ranch buildings..
TEX- TURE	Smooth landforms.	Coarse cottonwoods and riparian shrubs. Smooth grasses.	Smooth ranch buildings..

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	
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	Texture												X		

Evaluator's Names
M. Paulson

Date
07/22/2011

Rationale:

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

Project Location

KOP Location

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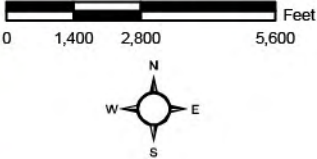
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Residential
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Project Location



KOP Location



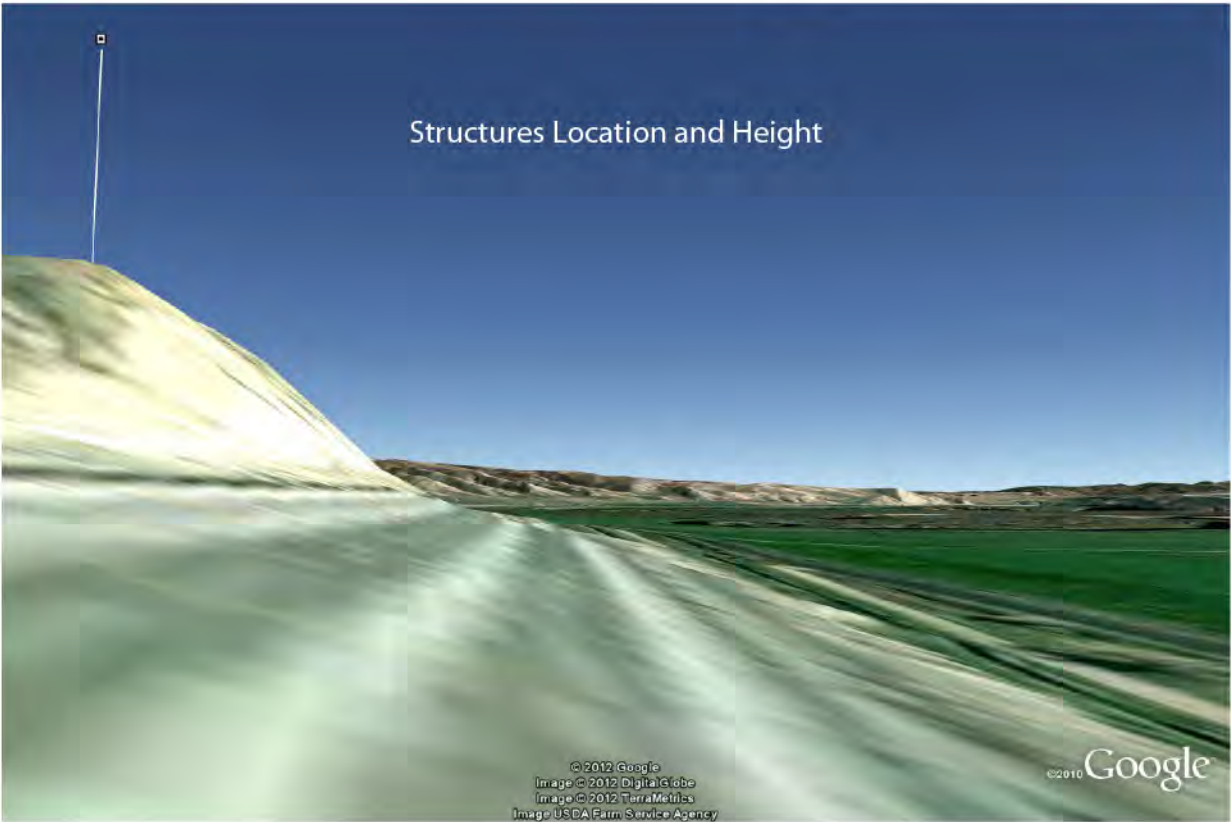
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KOP LS-4
(Segment 190)
Simulated Condition





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Date 10/24/2010

District Little Snake FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
LS-5

3. VRM Class
NA

4. Location U.S. 40
(eastbound)
Township 007N
Range 089W
Section 031

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-1

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Planar ridges and valley floor. Angular mountain backdrop and side slopes.	Organic clumps of mature cottonwoods and rabbit brush and sagebrush. Planar field grass patterns..	Cylindrical fence posts. Horizontal hay stack cylinders..
LINE	Horizontal ridge and mountain skyline. Angular side slopes. Horizontal valley floor.	Indistinct curvilinear cottonwood trees, rabbit brush and sagebrush. Horizontal field grass.	Horizontal haystacks and vertical lines of fence posts.
COLOR	Very light, medium, and dark tan to brown slopes.	Orange, tan and brown mature cottonwoods. Gold to tan and brown rabbit brush and sagebrush.	Medium to dark brown fence posts.
TEXTURE	Smooth landforms.	Coarse cottonwoods and shrubs.	Smooth fence posts and haystacks.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Strongly pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Course steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST	FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)		
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	Color												X		
	Texture												X		

Rationale:

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

Project Location

KOP Location

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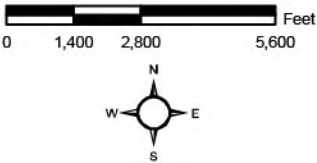
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U.S. 40
(eastbound)
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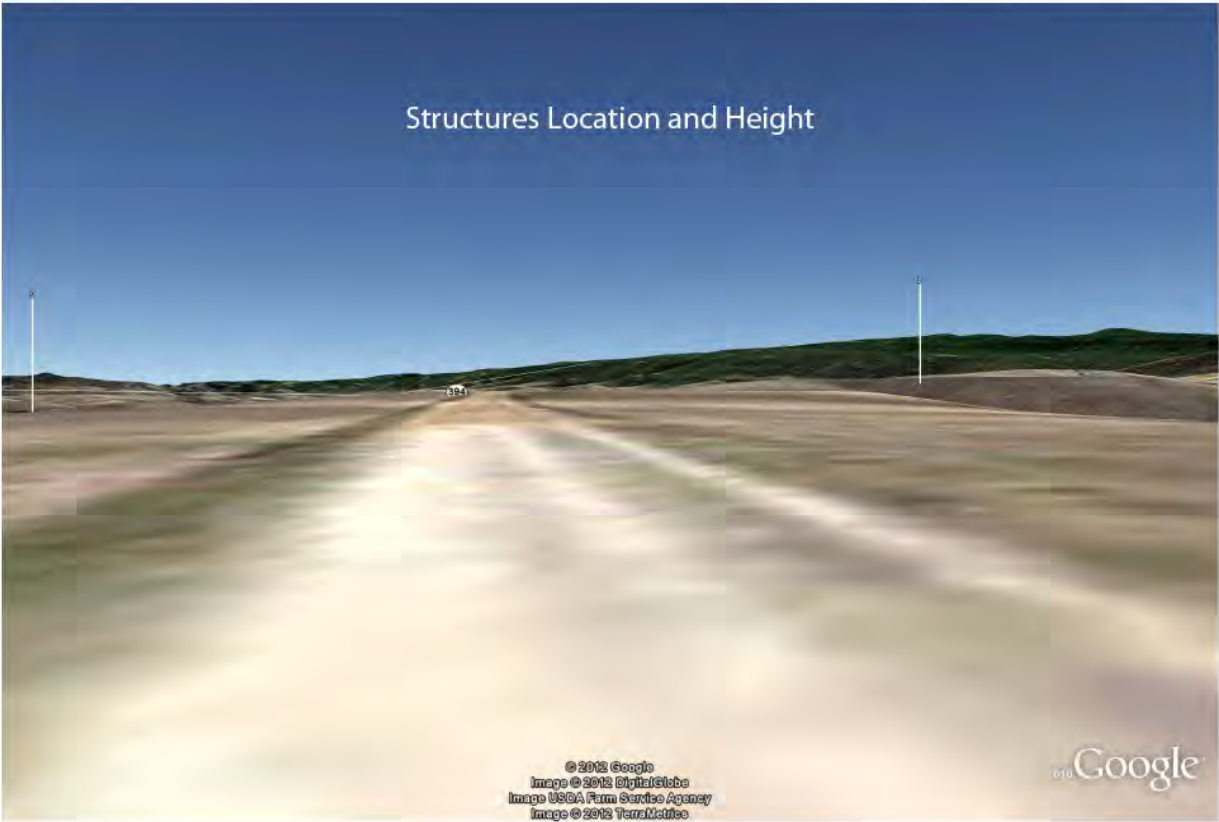
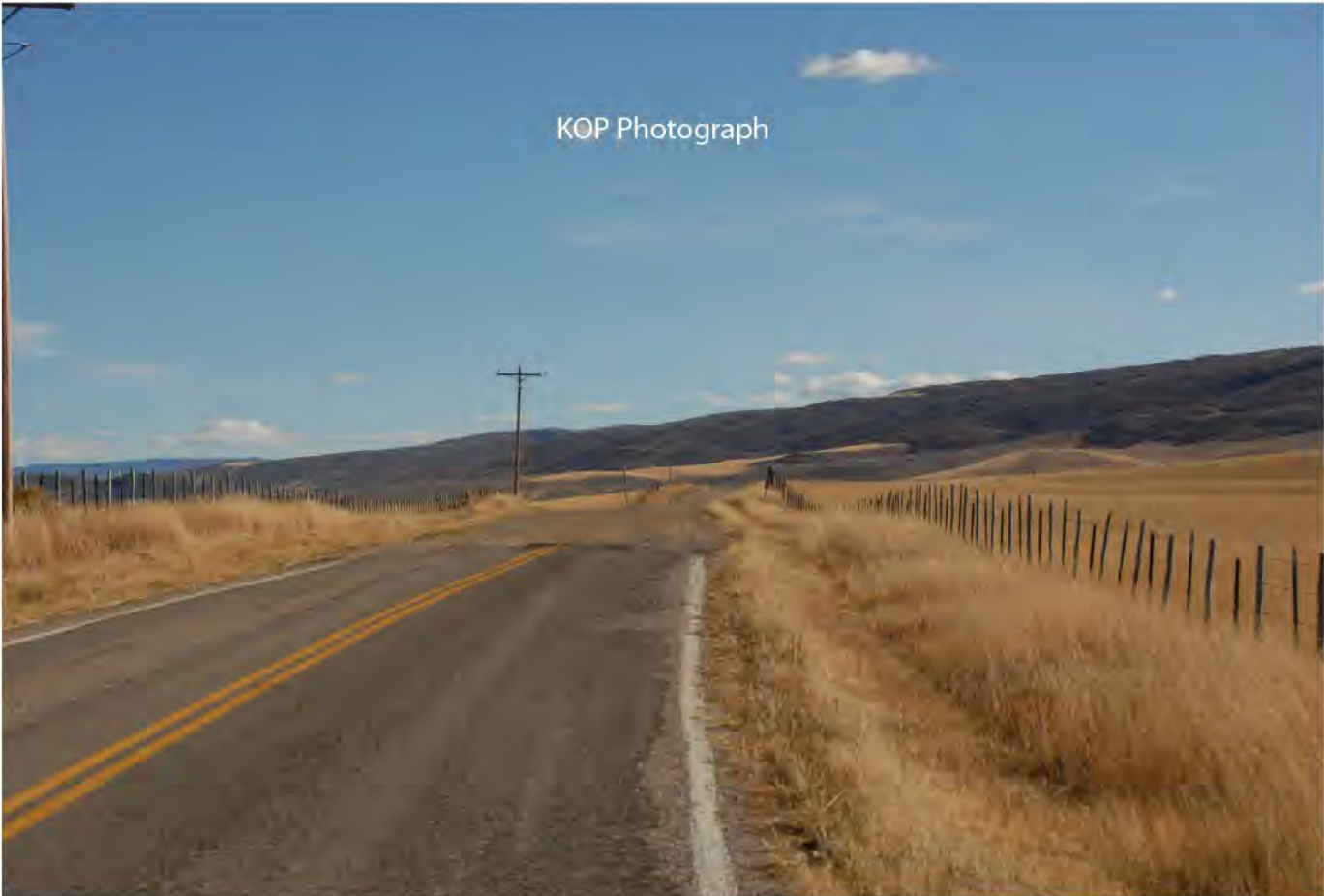
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(Segment 190)
Simulated Condition





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Date 10/22/2011

District Little Snake FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name TransWest Express	4. Location_Colorado SH 394 Southbound Township_006N Range_090W Section_011	5. Location Sketch Please see Figure 3.12-1
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SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM Planar horizontal and angular ridges. Angular side slopes.	Organic planar surface of grasses and background of pinon-juniper.	Planar foreground roadway. Columnar utility poles and linear fence posts.
LINE Strong angular skyline. Angular side slopes and foreground ridgeline.	Horizontal grasses and organic clumps of foreground grasses.	Linear horizontal foreground roadway, vertical and horizontal utility poles and vertical fence posts.
COLOR Very light, medium, and dark grey and brown slopes.	Light tan to brown grasses and dark green pinon-juniper.	Light to medium grey FG roadway, light brown MG roadway and dark brown utility poles and fence posts.
TEXTURE Smooth to moderate landforms.	Smooth to coarse grasses and background pinon-juniper.	Smooth paved and medium gravel roadway. Smooth utility poles and fence posts.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM		Strongly pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE		Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR		Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE		Course steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

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Line													X		
Color													X		
Texture													X		

Evaluator's Names
M. Paulson

Date
10/22/2011

Rationale:
Where the Project would be located within 0.5 miles of the viewer and does not parallel an existing transmission line and/or where access roads and vegetation clearing would occur in moderate to steep terrain, it would have a strong contrast and would not comply with VRM Class III management objectives. Mitigation measures (VR-1 and VR-7) would reduce strong contrasts to moderate resulting in moderate to low residual impacts where the Project is located more than 0.5 miles away from viewer locations.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

Project Location

KOP Location

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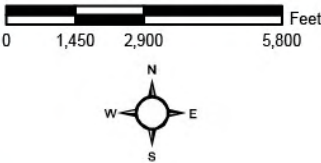
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Project Location



KOP Location



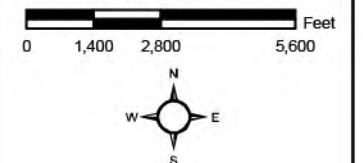
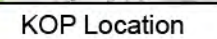
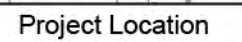
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KOP LS-6
Simulated Condition
(Segment 190)





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Yampa River Boat Launch
(Segment 190)

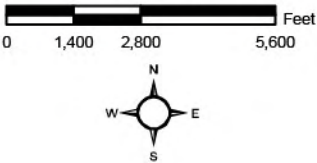




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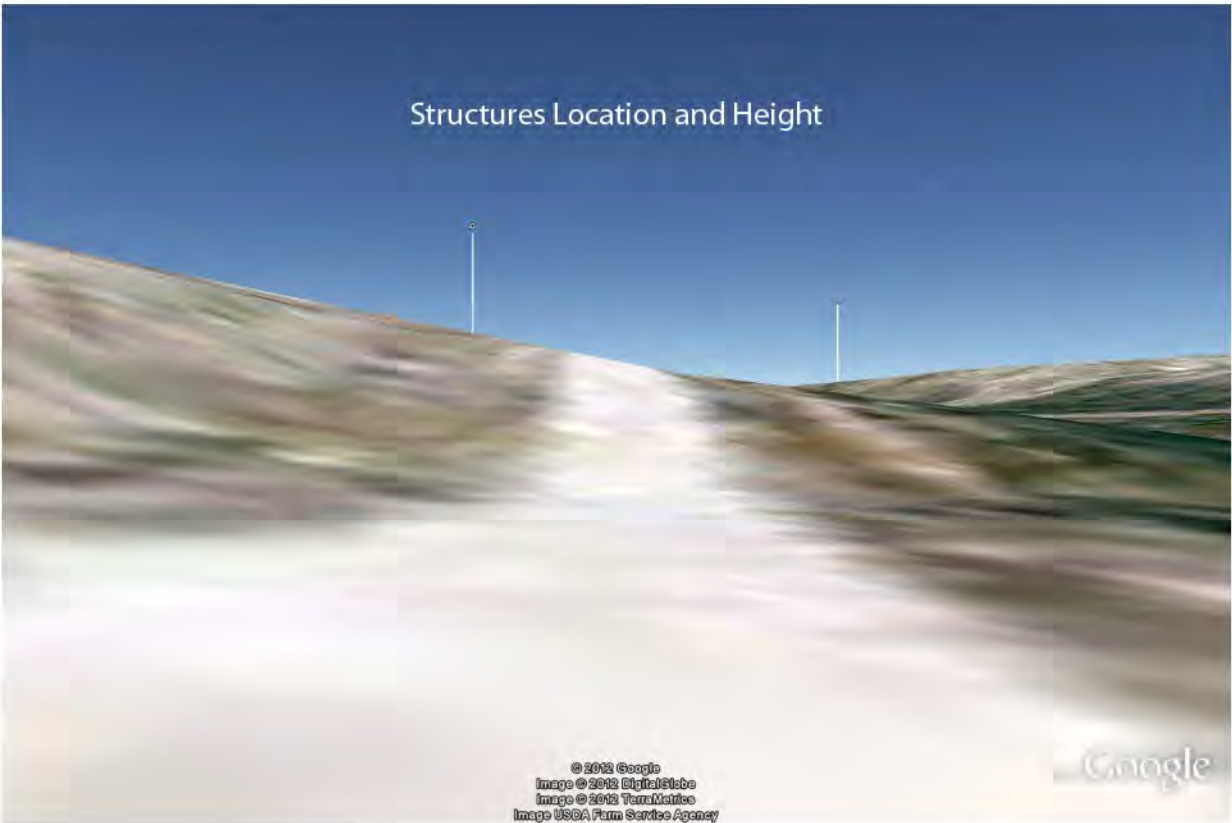
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(Segment 190)
Simulated Condition





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Date 10/22/2011

District Little Snake

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
LS-8

3. VRM Class
Private

4. Location_Moffat Rd.
11 Northbound
Township_006N
Range_092W
Section_013

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-1

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Planar horizontal and angular ridges. Angular side slopes.	Organic planar surface of grasses and organic clumps of sagebrush.	Planar foreground roadway. Cuboid residential structures. Columnar irregular fence posts.
LINE	Strong angular skyline. Angular side slopes and foreground ridgeline.	Angular surface of grasses and organic clumps of foreground shrubs and grasses.	Linear horizontal foreground roadway, horizontal and vertical structures, and irregular vertical fence posts..
COLOR	Very light, medium, and dark grey and brown slopes.	Light tan to brown grasses and medium to dark green sagebrush.	Light to medium brown roadway, white and dark grey structures, and dark brown fence posts.
TEXTURE	Smooth to moderate landform.	Smooth to coarse grasses and sagebrush.	Smooth to medium gravel roadway. Smooth structures, utility poles, and fence posts..

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Strongly pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Course steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)				
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Evaluator's Names
M. Paulson

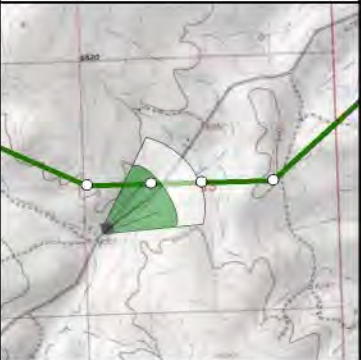
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Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

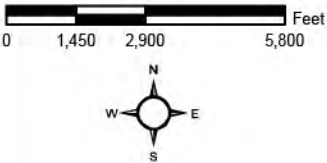
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Project Location



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TRANSMISSION PROJECT

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Moffat Road 11
(northbound)
(Segment 190)





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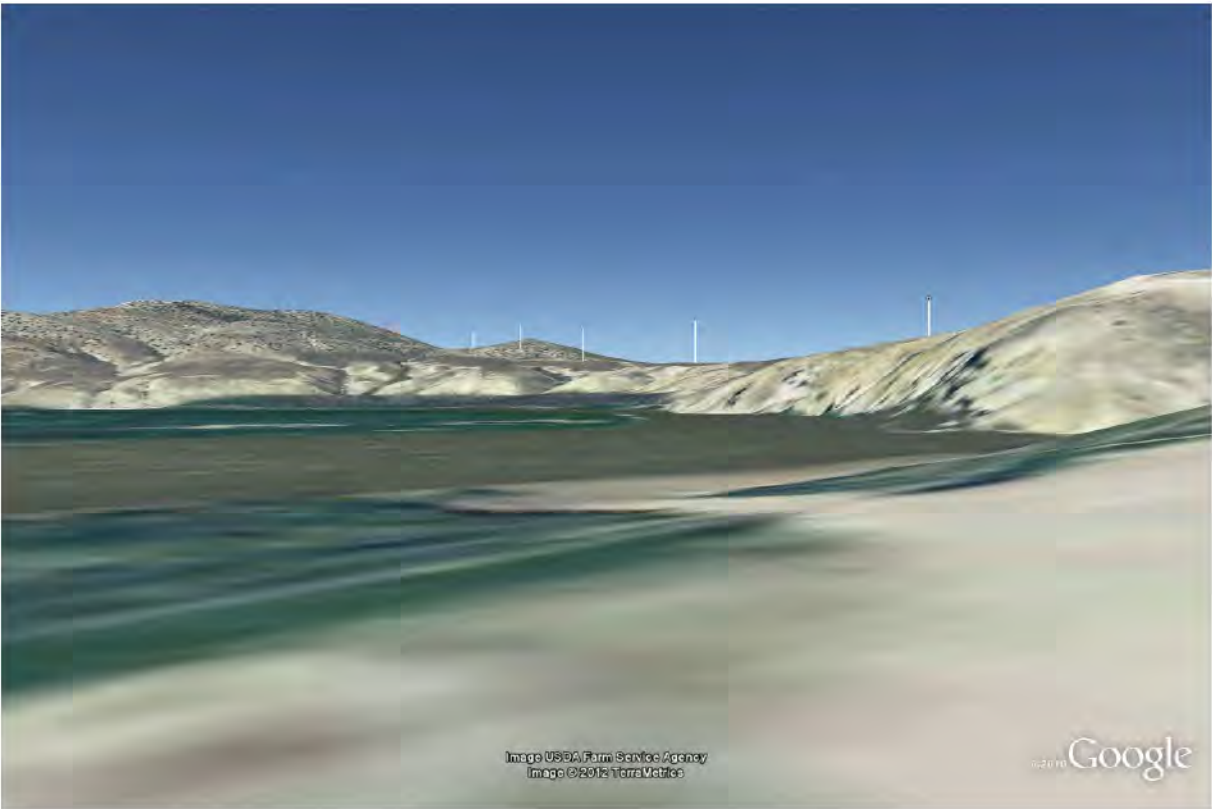


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Date 10/24/2010

District Little Snake FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
LS-10

3. VRM Class
III (VRI-III)

4. Location Yampa River
Boat Launch

Township 006N

Range 094W

Section 017

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-1

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

LINE

COLOR

TEX-
TURE

Planar Yampa River. Planar angular and horizontal ridges. Angular and vertical side slopes and erosion cuts.

Strong foreground horizontal and curving river. Angular and vertical side slopes.

White to blue river. Light to medium tan to brown landform.

Coarse water and cliffs. Smooth landform..

2. VEGETATION

Organic shapes of riparian tree, shrubs, and sagebrush and grasses.

Indistinct riparian tree, shrubs, and pinon-juniper, sagebrush and grasses.

Silvery tan and browns riparian tree, shrubs. Medium grey-green sagebrush, medium tan to brown grasses.

Smooth to coarse riparian tree, shrubs, pinon-juniper, sagebrush and grasses.

3. STRUCTURES

Pyramidal 345-kV Transmission Line

Vertical 345-kV Transmission Line

Medium grey 345-kV Transmission Line

Smooth Pyramidal 345-kV Transmission Line

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

LINE

COLOR

TEX-
TURE

2. VEGETATION

3. STRUCTURES

Strongly pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.

Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.

Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.

Course steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

SHORT TERM

LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST

LAND/WATER BODY (1)

VEGETATION (2)

STRUCTURES (3)

2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? ☒ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended ☐ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

Elements

Form

Line

Color

Texture

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

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Evaluator's Names

Date

M. Paulson

10/24/10

Rationale:
Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would comply with VRM Class III management objects. Contrasts in these situations would be moderate or weak. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

Project Location

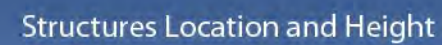
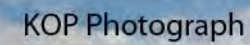
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KOP LS-10
Yampa River Boat Launch
(Segment 190)

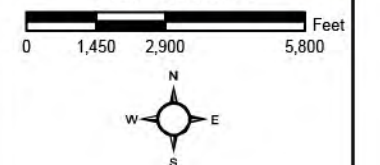
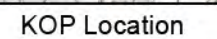
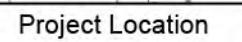
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Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

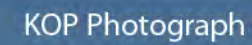
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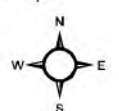
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Deception Creek Road
(southbound)
(Segment 190)





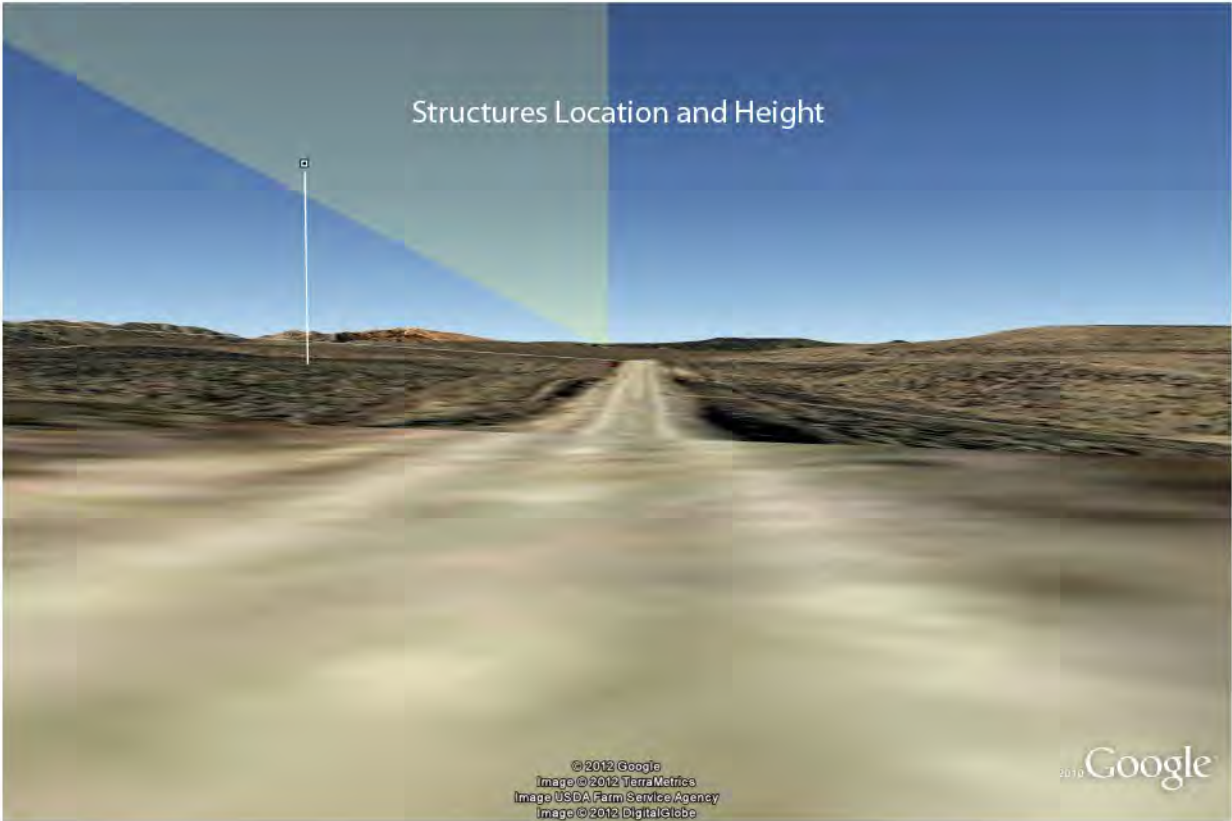
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ADMINISTRATION



KOP Photograph



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Date 10/22/2011

District Little Snake FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
LS-15

3. VRM Class
IV (VRI-III)

4. Location U.S. 40
(westbound)

Township 006N

Range 97W

Section 033

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-1

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

Planar rolling, horizontal and angular ridges. Angular side slopes.

2. VEGETATION

LINE

Strong angular skyline. Angular side slopes.

3. STRUCTURES

COLOR

Very light, medium, and dark tan to brown landforms.

FORM

Organic clumps of rabbit brush, sagebrush and grasses.

LINE

Indistinct sagebrush, rabbit brush and linear roadside grasses.

COLOR

Medium olive green sagebrush. Golden tan to brown grasses and forbs.

TEXTURE

Smooth to moderate landforms.

LINE

Linear horizontal roadway and vertical markers and distant transmission line.

COLOR

Light to medium grey roadway and transmission line and dark green markers.

TEXTURE

Smooth to medium roadway and transmission line and markers.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

2. VEGETATION

LINE

3. STRUCTURES

COLOR

FORM

Strongly pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.

LINE

Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.

COLOR

Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.

TEXTURE

Course steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

DEGREE OF CONTRAST

Elements

Form

Line

Color

Texture

LAND/WATER BODY (1)

VEGETATION (2)

STRUCTURES (3)

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

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None

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None

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2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? ☒ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended ☐ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

Evaluator's Names

Date

M. Paulson

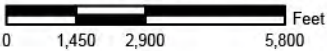
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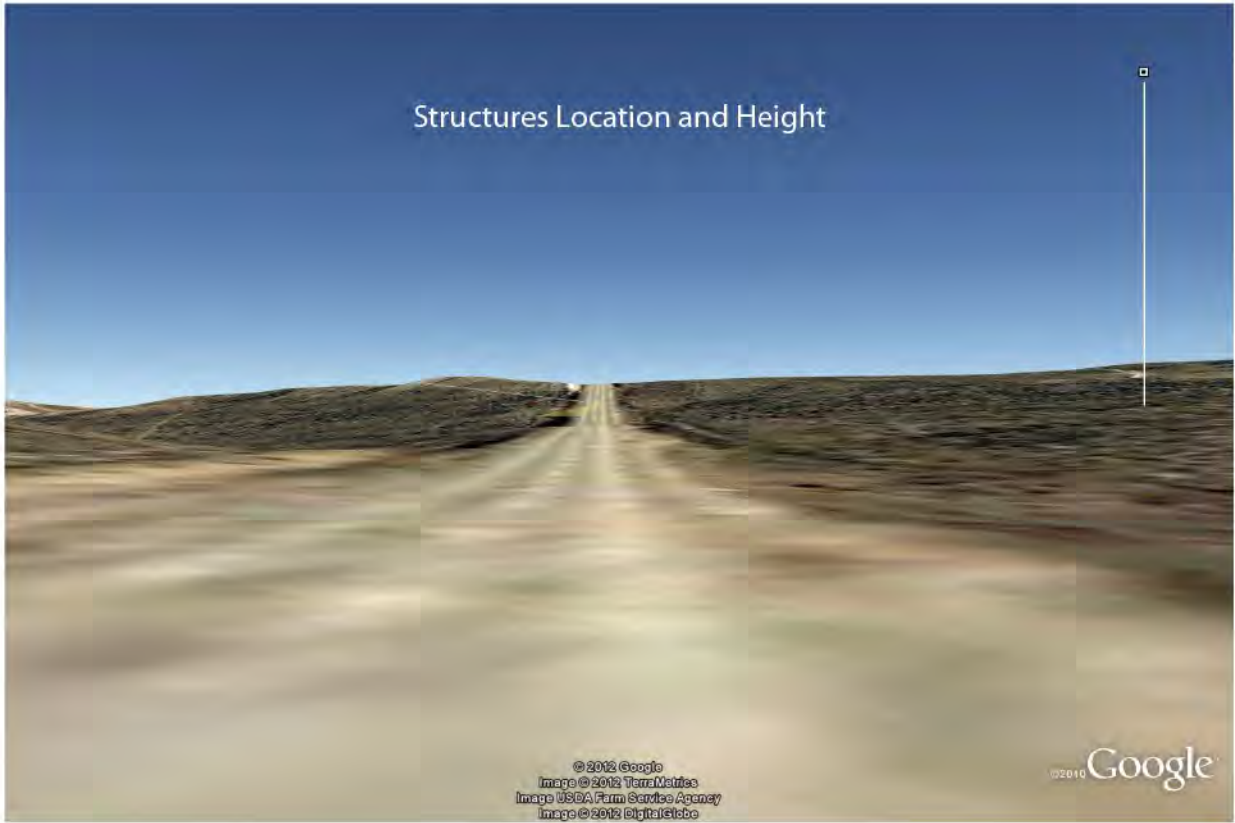
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KOP LS-15
U.S. 40
(westbound)
(Segment 180.2)





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District Little Snake FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
LS-16

3. VRM Class
IV (VRI-III)

4. Location U.S. 40
(eastbound)
Township 006N
Range 97W
Section 033

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-1

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

2. VEGETATION

3. STRUCTURES

FORM	Planar rolling and horizontal ridges and angular road cut. Angular side slopes.	Organic clumps of rabbit brush, sagebrush and grasses.	Planar roadway.
LINE	Strong angular, nearly horizontal, skyline. Angular side slopes.	Indistinct sagebrush, rabbit brush and linear roadside grasses.	Linear horizontal roadway and vertical markers.
COLOR	Very light, medium, and dark tan to brown landforms.	Medium olive green sagebrush. Golden tan to brown rabbit brush and grasses and forbs.	Light to medium grey roadway and dark green markers.
TEXTURE	Smooth to moderate landforms.	Coarse rabbit brush and sagebrush. Smooth to coarse grasses.	Smooth to medium roadway and markers.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

2. VEGETATION

3. STRUCTURES

FORM			Strongly pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Course steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

SHORT TERM

LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST	FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	
	LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)					
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	Line									X				
	Color									X				
	Texture										X			

Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

IDAHO

WYOMING

NEVADA

UTAH

COLORADO

ARIZONA

NEW MEXICO

Project Location

KOP Location

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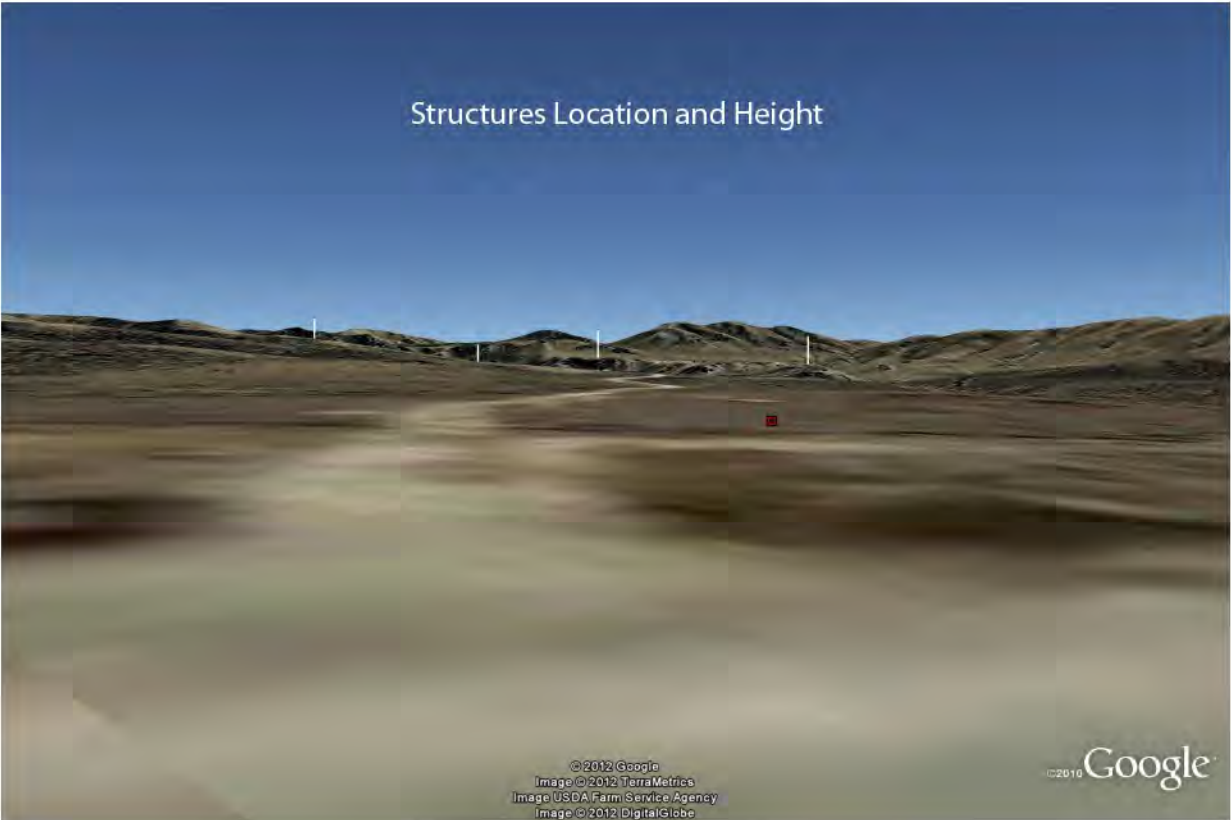
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U.S. 40
(eastbound)
(Segment 180.2)

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KOP Photograph



Structures Location and Height

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Visual Contrast Rating Worksheet

Date 10/22/2011

District Little Snake FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
LS-19

3. VRM Class
IV

4. Location U.S. 40 and
Dinosaur NM Rd.
Township 005N
Range 098W
Section 012

5. Location
Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-1

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Planar rolling and angular ridges. Angular side slopes.	Organic clumps of rabbit brush, sagebrush and grasses.	Planar roadway, pyramidal 345-kV transmission line and octagonal stop sign..
LINE	Strong angular and skyline. Angular side slopes.	Indistinct sagebrush, rabbit brush and linear roadside grasses.	Linear horizontal roadway and vertical transmission line, stop sign and marker.
COLOR	Very light, medium, and dark tan to brown landforms.	Medium olive green sagebrush. Golden tan to brown rabbit brush and grasses and forbs.	Light to medium grey roadway and transmission line, red and yellow stop sign and dark green marker.
TEXTURE	Smooth to moderate landforms.	Coarse rabbit brush and sagebrush. Smooth to coarse grasses.	Smooth to medium roadway, transmission line and marker.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Strongly pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Course steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

SHORT TERM

LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)			
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Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

IDAHO

WYOMING

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UTAH

COLORADO

ARIZONA

NEW MEXICO

Project Location

KOP Location

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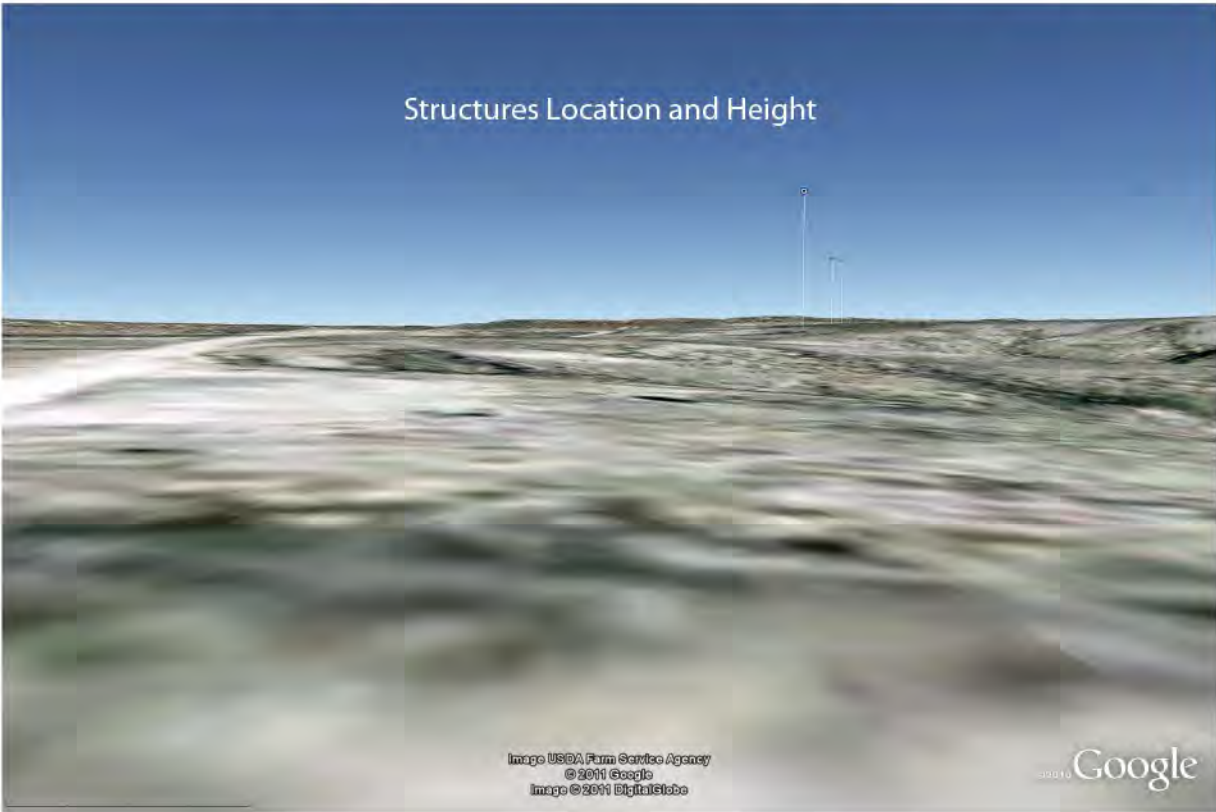
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TRANSMISSION PROJECT

KOP LS-19
U.S. 40 and
Dinosaur NM Road
(Segment 100)



KOP Photograph



Structures Location and Height

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VISUAL CONTRAST RATING WORKSHEET

Date 10/23/2011

District Little Snake FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
LS-20

3. VRM Class
III (VRI Class III)

4. Location Sand Wash
Basin Rd. 75 Northbound
Township 009N
Range 097W
Section 29

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-1

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Planar horizontal and angular ridges. Angular side slopes.	Organic planar surface of grasses and organic clumps of pinyon-juniper and sagebrush.	Planar roadway.
LINE	Strong angular skyline. Angular side slopes and foreground ridgeline.	Angular surface of grasses and organic clumps of foreground shrubs and grasses.	Linear horizontal roadway.
COLOR	Very light, medium, and dark grey and brown slopes.	Light tan to brown grasses and medium to dark green pinyon-juniper and sagebrush.	Light to medium tan roadway.
TEX- TURE	Smooth to moderate landform.	Smooth to coarse grasses and sagebrush.	Smooth gravel roadway.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM		ROW clearing of pinyon-juniper planar forms.	Strongly pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE		ROW clearing of pinon-juniper	Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE			Course steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)				
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)								
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	Line										X		X					
	Color										X			X				
	Texture										X				X			

Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

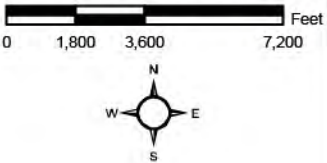
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Sand Wash Basin Rd. 75
(northbound)
(Segment 180.2)

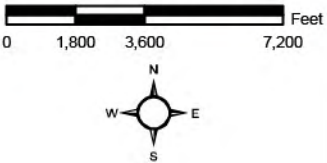




Project Location



KOP Location



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KOP LS-20
Mitigated Condition
(Segment 180.2)

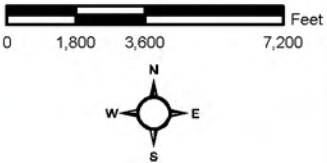




Project Location



KOP Location



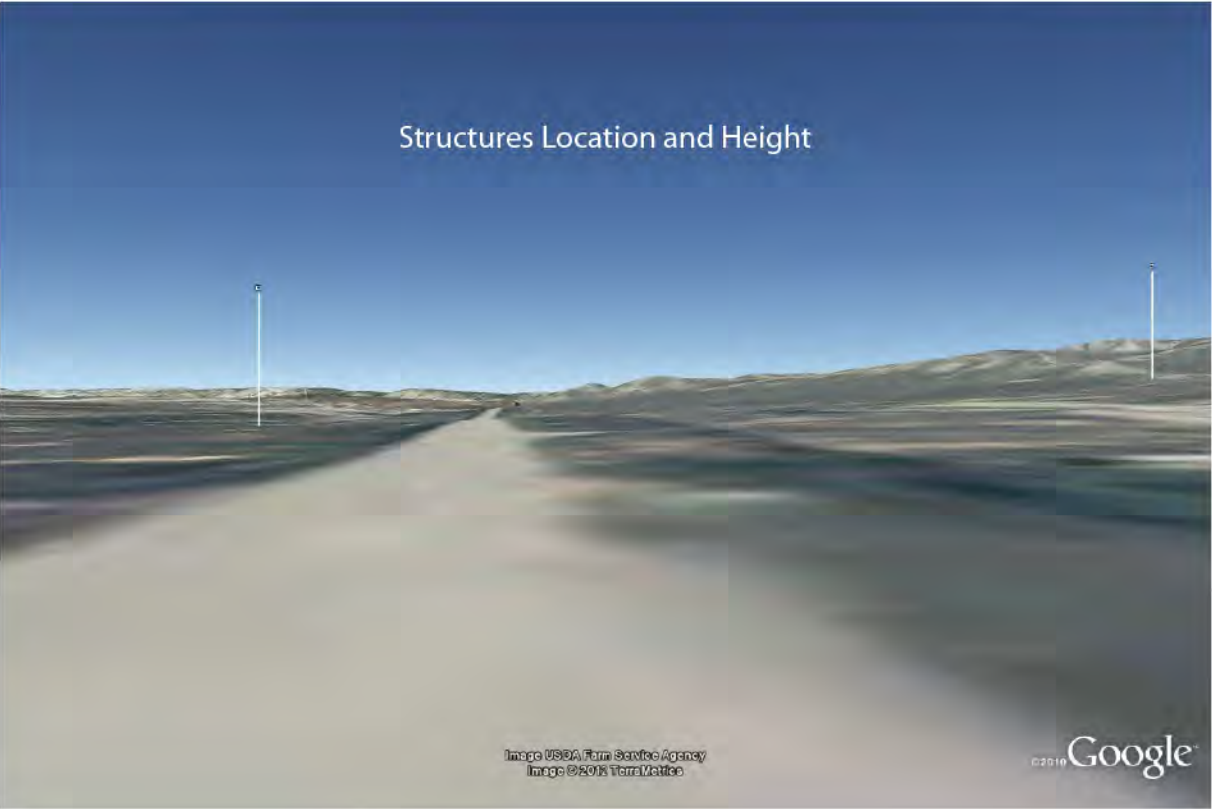
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KOP LS-20
Simulated Condition
(Segment 180.2)





KOP Photograph



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VISUAL CONTRAST RATING WORKSHEET

Date 10/22/2010

District Little Snake FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
LS-21

3. VRM Class
Private

4. Location Deception
Cr. Road (northbound)
Township 006N
Range 095W
Section 016

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-1

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Planar rolling and angular ridges. Angular side slopes.	Organic clumps of rabbit brush, sagebrush and grasses.	Planar roadway, pyramidal 345-kV transmission line structure and columnar H-frame poles.
LINE	Strong angular ridges and skyline. Angular side slopes.	Indistinct sagebrush, rabbit brush and linear roadside grasses.	Linear horizontal roadway and vertical transmission line, H-frame and markers.
COLOR	Very light, medium, and dark tan to brown landforms.	Medium olive green sagebrush. Golden tan to brown rabbit brush and grasses and forbs.	Light to medium grey roadway and transmission line. Light tan to brown H-frame and dark green markers.
TEXTURE	Smooth to moderate landforms.	Coarse rabbit brush and sagebrush. Smooth to coarse grasses.	Smooth to medium roadway, transmission line, H-frame and markers.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Strongly pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Course steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

DEGREE OF CONTRAST

LAND/WATER BODY (1)

VEGETATION (2)

STRUCTURES (3)

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Form

Line

Color

Texture

X

X

X

X

2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? ☐ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended ☐ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

Evaluator's Names
M. Paulson

Date
10/22/2010

Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

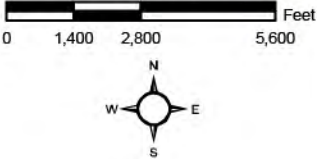
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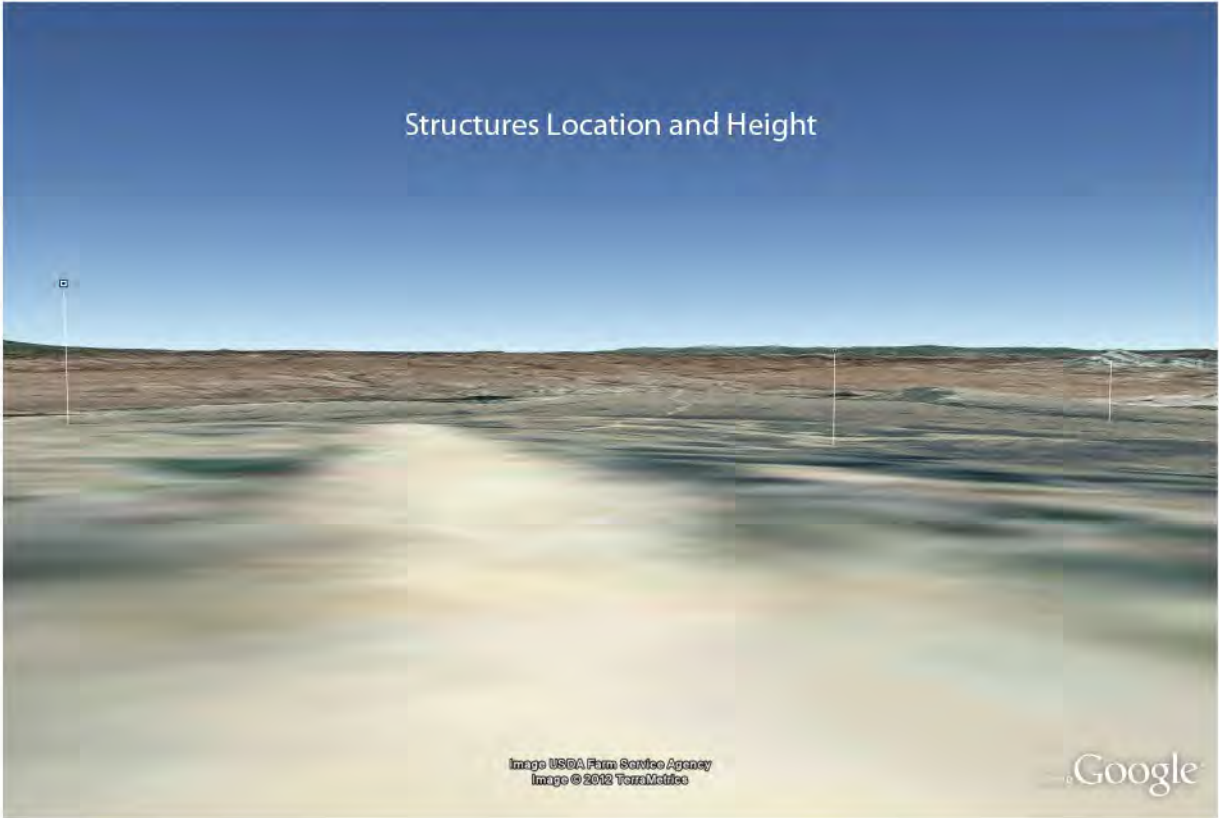
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KOP LS-21
Deception Creek Road
(northbound)
(Segment 190)





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VISUAL CONTRAST RATING WORKSHEET

Date 08/04/2012

District Little Snake FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
LS-27

3. VRM Class
Private

4. Location Sand Wash
Basin Rd. 66 Eastbound
Township 10N
Range 097W
Section 3

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-1

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM
Planar horizontal and angular ridges.
Angular side slopes.

LINE
Strong angular skyline. Angular side
slopes and foreground ridgeline.

COLOR
Very light, medium, and dark grey and
brown slopes.

TEX-
TURE
Smooth to moderate landform.

2. VEGETATION

FORM
Organic planar surface of grasses and
organic clumps of pinyon-juniper and
sagebrush.

LINE
Angular surface of grasses and organic
clumps of foreground shrubs and grasses.

COLOR
Light tan to brown grasses and medium to
dark green pinyon-juniper and sagebrush.

TEX-
TURE
Smooth to coarse grasses and sagebrush.

3. STRUCTURES

FORM
Planar gravel roadway.

LINE
Linear horizontal roadway.

COLOR
Light to medium tan roadway.

TEX-
TURE
Smooth gravel roadway.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

LINE

COLOR

TEX-
TURE

2. VEGETATION

FORM
ROW clearing of pinyon-juniper planar
forms.

LINE
ROW clearing of pinon-juniper

COLOR
Tan grasses in ROW clearing

TEX-
TURE
Smooth texture in ROW clearing

3. STRUCTURES

FORM
Strongly pyramidal steel lattice
structures and guys, and tubular
conductors.

LINE
Vertical steel lattice structures, angular
guys, and curvilinear conductors.

COLOR
Light silver to dark grey steel lattice
structures, guys, and conductors.

TEX-
TURE
Course steel lattice structures, and
smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

DEGREE OF
CONTRAST

LAND/WATER
BODY
(1)

VEGETATION
(2)

STRUCTURES
(3)

Strong

Moderate

Weak

Note

Strong

Moderate

Weak

Note

Strong

Moderate

Weak

Note

Form

Line

Color

Texture

X

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X

X

2. Does project design meet visual resource
management objectives? ☐ Yes ☐ No
(Explain on reverse side)

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended
☐ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

Evaluator's Names
M. Paulson

Date
08/04/12

Rationale:

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

Project Location

KOP Location

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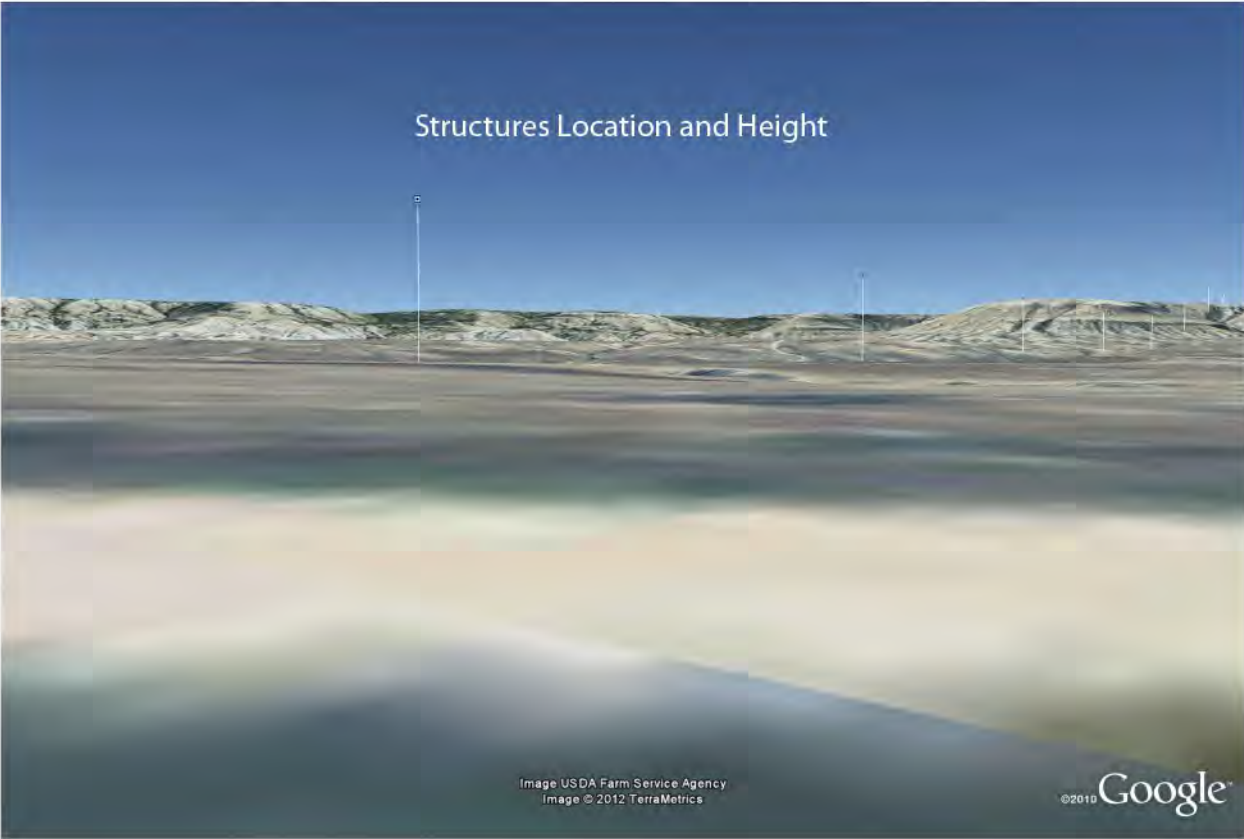
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Sandwash Basin Rd 66
(eastbound)
(Segment 186)

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KOP Photograph



Structures Location and Height

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VISUAL CONTRAST RATING WORKSHEET

Date 08/04/2012
District Little Snake FO
Resource Area
Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name TransWest Express	4. Location BLM Rd. 21 (NB) and Residential Township 8N Range 97W Section 1	5. Location Sketch Please see Figure 3.12-1
2. Key Observation Point LS-28		
3. VRM Class (Class III)		

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM Planar horizontal and angular ridges. Angular side slopes.	Organic planar surface of grasses and organic clumps of pinyon-juniper and sagebrush.	Planar gravel roadway and cubed structures.
LINE Strong angular skyline. Angular side slopes and foreground ridgeline.	Angular surface of grasses and organic clumps of foreground shrubs and grasses.	Linear horizontal roadway and vertical and horizontal residential structures.
COLOR Very light, medium, and dark grey and brown slopes.	Light tan to brown grasses and medium to dark green pinyon-juniper and sagebrush.	Light to medium tan roadway and light tan, dark brown and dark green residential structures.
TEX- TURE Smooth to moderate landform.	Smooth to coarse grasses and sagebrush.	Smooth gravel roadway and residential structures.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM		Strongly pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE		Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR		Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE		Course steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												SHORT TERM		LONG TERM			
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)				2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)					
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	Line										X								
	Color											X							
	Texture												X						
														Evaluator's Names M. Paulson		Date 08/04/12			

Rationale:
Where the Project would be located within 0.5 miles of the viewer and does not parallel an existing transmission line and/or where access roads and vegetation clearing would occur in moderate to steep terrain, it would have a strong contrast and would not comply with VRM Class III management objectives. Mitigation measures (VR-1 and VR-7) would reduce strong contrasts to moderate resulting in moderate to low residual impacts where the Project is located more than 0.5 miles away from viewer locations.

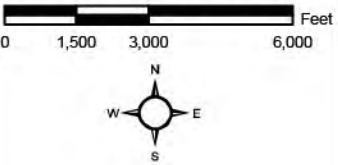
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Project Location



KOP Location



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KOP LS-28
BLM Road 21 (northbound)
Residential
(Segment 186)

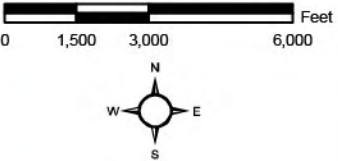




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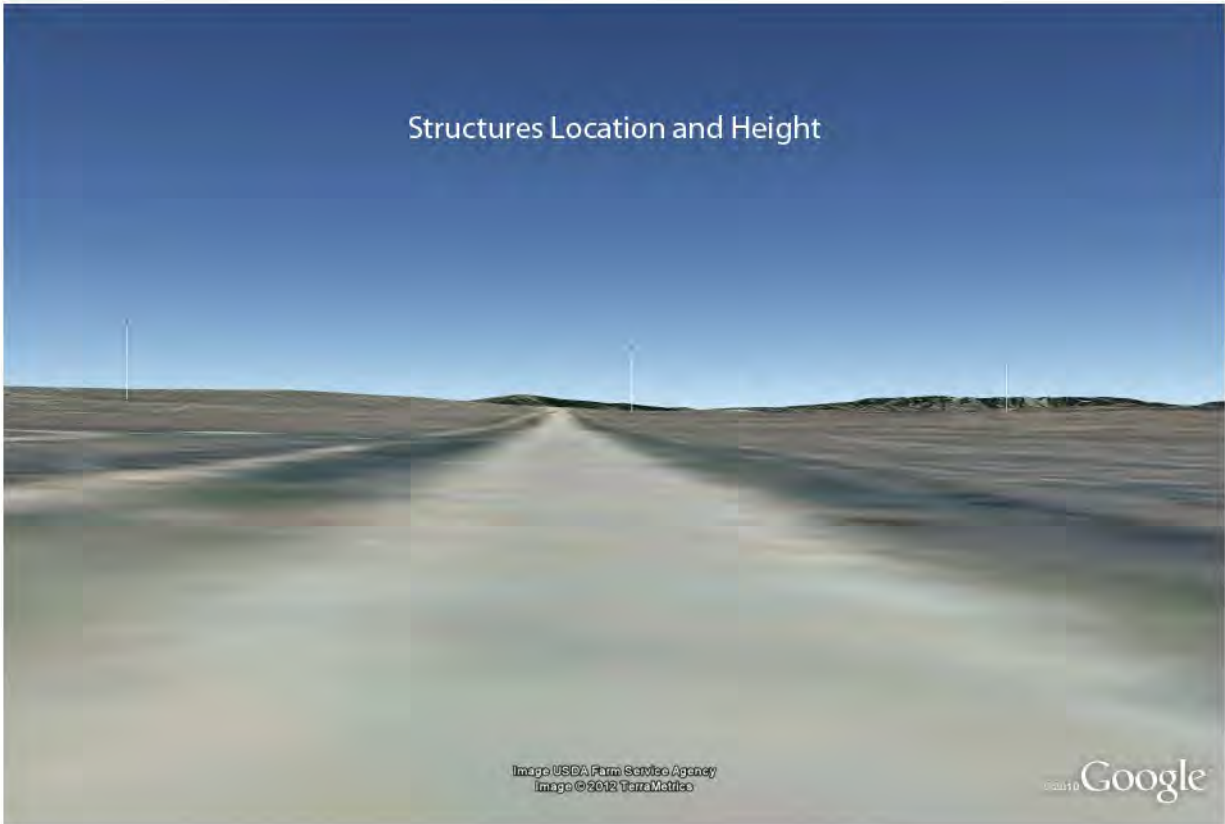
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KOP LS-28
Simulated Condition
(Segment 186)





KOP Photograph



Structures Location and Height

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VISUAL CONTRAST RATING WORKSHEET

Date 08/04/2012

District Little Snake FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
LS-29

3. VRM Class
III (VRI-III)

4. Location Colorado SH
318 (eastbound)
Township 7N
Range 97W
Section 12

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-1

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

2. VEGETATION

3. STRUCTURES

FORM	Planar rolling, horizontal and angular ridges. Angular side slopes.	Organic clumps of rabbit brush, sagebrush and grasses.	Planar roadway and small distribution line.
LINE	Strong angular skyline. Angular side slopes.	Indistinct sagebrush, rabbit brush and linear roadside grasses.	Linear horizontal roadway and vertical distribution line.
COLOR	Very light, medium, and dark tan to brown landforms.	Medium olive green sagebrush. Golden tan to brown grasses and forbs.	Light to medium grey roadway and dark brown poles.
TEX- TURE	Smooth to moderate landforms.	Coarse sagebrush. Smooth to coarse grasses.	Smooth roadway.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

2. VEGETATION

3. STRUCTURES

FORM			Strongly pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE			Course steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

SHORT TERM

LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST	FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	
	LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)					
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Elements	Form								X				Evaluator's Names M. Paulson Date 07/22/2011	
	Line								X					
	Color									X				
	Texture										X			

Rationale:
Where the Project would be located within 0.5 miles of the viewer and does not parallel an existing transmission line and/or where access roads and vegetation clearing would occur in moderate to steep terrain, it would have a strong contrast and would not comply with VRM Class III management objectives. Mitigation measures (VR-1 and VR-7) would reduce strong contrasts to moderate resulting in moderate to low residual impacts where the Project is located more than 0.5 miles away from viewer locations.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

Project Location

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KOP LS-29
Colorado State Hwy 318
(eastbound)
(Segment 186)

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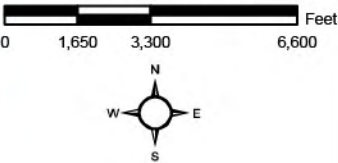
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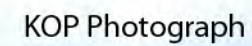
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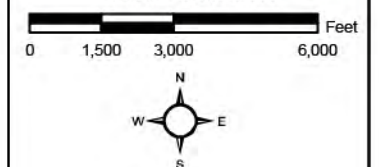
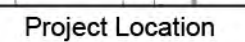
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Simulated Condition
(Segment 186)





Rationale:
Where the Project would be located within 0.5 miles of the viewer and does not parallel an existing transmission line and/or where access roads and vegetation clearing would occur in moderate to steep terrain, it would have a strong contrast and would not comply with VRM Class III management objectives. Mitigation measures (VR-1 and VR-7) would reduce strong contrasts to moderate resulting in moderate to low residual impacts where the Project is located more than 0.5 miles away from viewer locations.

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BLM Road 23
Yampa River
(Segment 186)

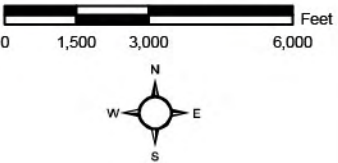




Project Location



KOP Location



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KOP LS-30
Simulated Condition
(Segment 186)

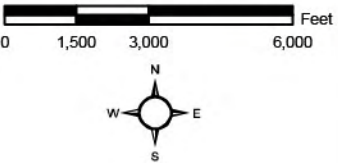




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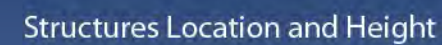
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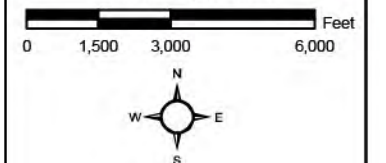
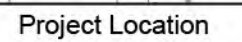
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Cumulative Condition
(Segment 186)





Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

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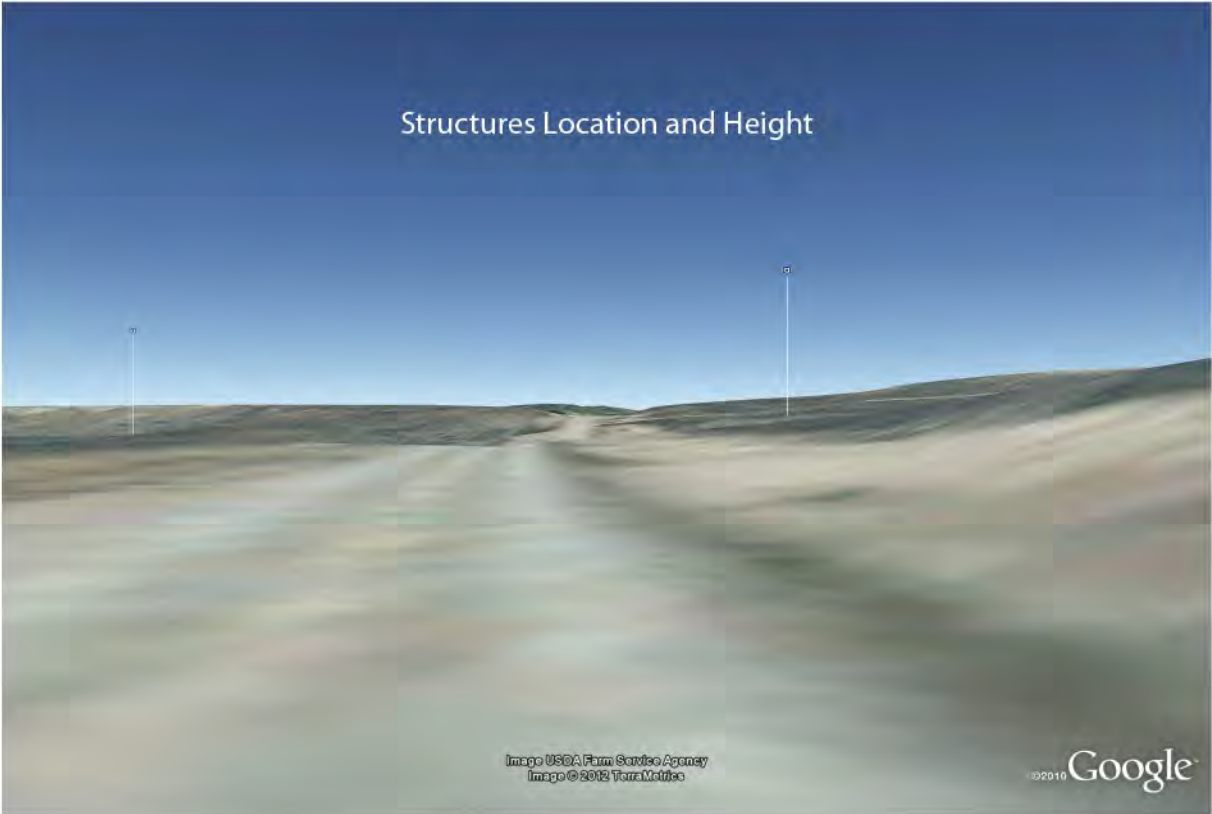
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KOP LS-31
U.S. 40 (westbound)
(Segment 186)





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Visual Contrast Rating Worksheet

Date08/04/2012

DistrictLittle Snake FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
LS-32

3. VRM Class
IV (VRI-III)

4. LocationU.S. 40
(eastbound)

Township006N

Range97W

Section033

5. Location
Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-1

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

Planar rolling and horizontal ridges and angular road cut. Angular side slopes.

2. VEGETATION

FORM

Organic clumps of rabbit brush, sagebrush and grasses.

3. STRUCTURES

FORM

Planarroadway.

LINE

Strong angular, nearly horizontal, skyline. Angular side slopes.

LINE

Indistinct sagebrush, rabbit brush and linear roadside grasses.

LINE

Linear horizontal roadway and vertical markers.

COLOR

Very light, medium, and dark tan to brown landforms.

COLOR

Mediumolive green sagebrush.Goldentan to brown rabbit brush and grasses and forbs.

COLOR

Light to medium grey roadway and dark green markers.

TEX-
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Smoothto moderate landforms.

TEX-
TURE

Coarse rabbit brush and sagebrush. Smooth to coarse grasses.

TEX-
TURE

Smooth to medium roadway and markers.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

2. VEGETATION

FORM

3. STRUCTURES

FORM

Strongly pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.

LINE

LINE

LINE

Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.

COLOR

COLOR

COLOR

Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.

TEX-
TURE

TEX-
TURE

TEX-
TURE

Coarsesteel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

SHORT TERM

LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST

FEATURES

2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? ☒ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended ☐; ☐ (Explain on reverse side)

Elements

Form

Line

Color

Texture

LAND/WATER BODY (1)

VEGETATION (2)

STRUCTURES (3)

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

X

X

X

X

Evaluator's Names

Date

M. Paulson

07/22/2011

Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

IDAHO

WYOMING

NEVADA

UTAH

COLORADO

ARIZONA

NEW MEXICO

Project Location

KOP Location

0 1,500 3,000 6,000 Feet

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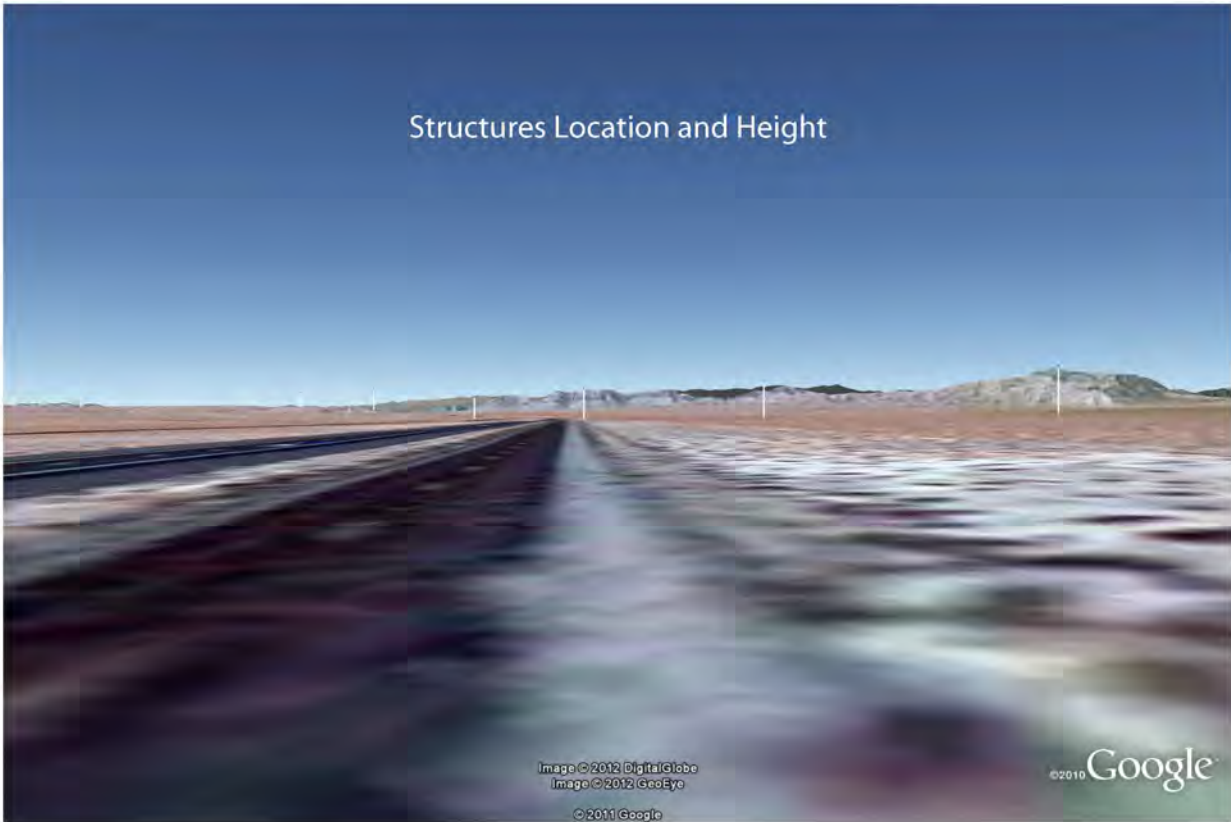
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U.S. 40 (eastbound)
(Segment 186)

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VISUAL CONTRAST RATING WORKSHEET

Date 09/09/2011

District Southern Nevada DO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
LV-1

3. VRM Class
III (VRI Class III)

4. Location I-15
(southbound)
Township 13S
Range 68E
Section 034

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-3

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Planar valley floor. Angular background mountains and rock formations.	Blanket and clumps of shrubs and grasses. Sparse Joshua trees.	Planar roadway and multiple steel lattice and h-frame t-lines and utility poles.
LINE	Horizontal and angular ridgelines and rock formations. Horizontal valley floor.	Irregular Joshua trees, shrubs and grass patterns.	Horizontal roadway and vertical steel lattice t-lines. Vertical and horizontal h-frame poles. Curvilinear conductors.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey..	Silver green and tan shrubs and tan grasses. Medium olive green Joshua trees.	Light, medium to dark grey roadway and t-lines. Medium to dark brown utility poles and fenceposts.
TEXTURE	Smooth to medium landform.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Medium to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)					
		Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None		
Elements	Form													X	3. Additional mitigating measures recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side) Evaluator's Names M. Paulson Date 09/09/2011
	Line													X	
	Color													X	
	Texture													X	

Rationale:
Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would comply with VRM Class III management objects. Contrasts in these situations would be moderate or weak. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

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Project Location

KOP Location

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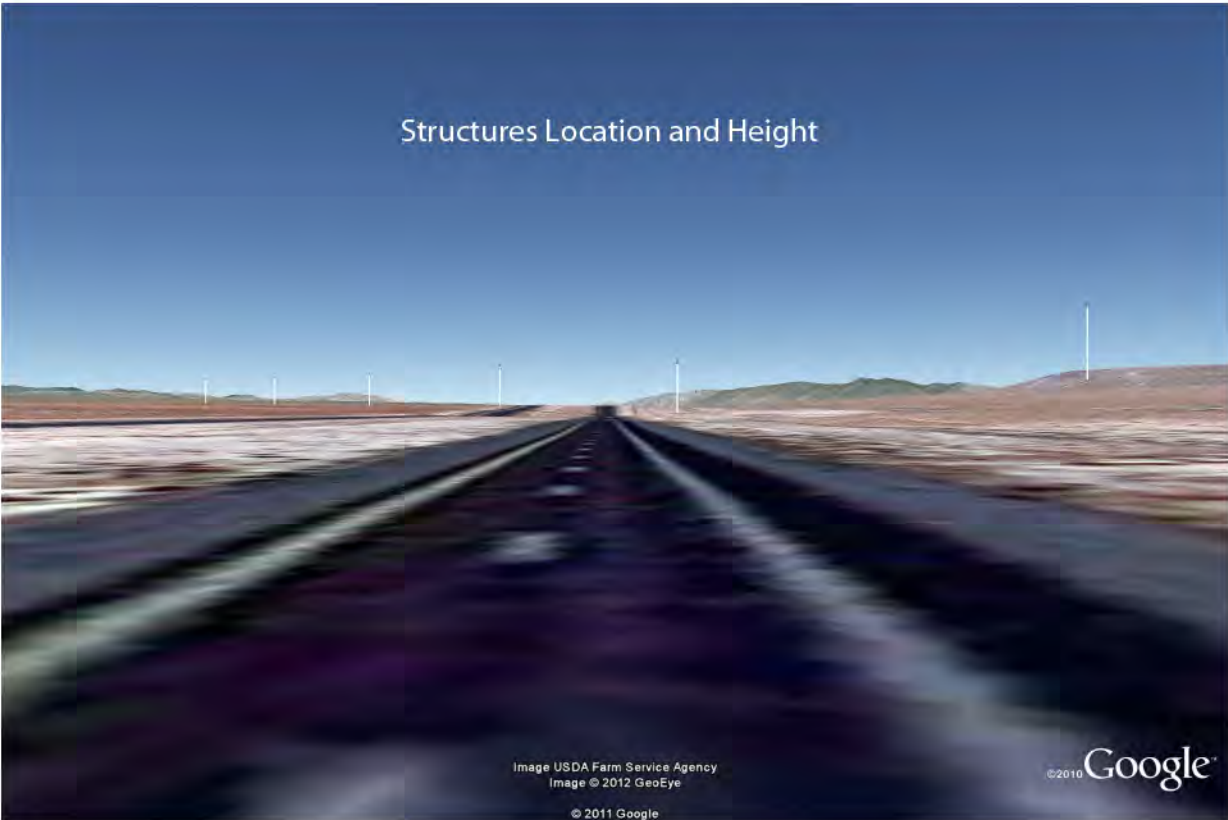
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KOP LV-1
Interstate 15
(southbound)
(Segment 550)

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Visual Contrast Rating Worksheet

Date 09/09/2011

District Southern Nevada DO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
LV-2

3. VRM Class
III (VRI Class III)

4. Location I-15
(southbound)

Township 14S

Range 68E

Section 005

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-3

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

LINE

COLOR

TEX-
TURE

Planar valley floor. Angular background mountains.

Horizontal and angular ridgelines. Horizontal valley floor.

Light to medium reddish tan and grey..

Smooth to medium landform.

2. VEGETATION

Blanket and clumps of shrubs and grasses. Sparse Joshua trees.

Irregular Joshua trees, shrubs and grass patterns.

Silver green and tan shrubs and tan grasses. Medium olive green Joshua trees.

Smooth, medium and coarse.

3. STRUCTURES

Planar roadway and row of utility poles.

Horizontal roadway and vertical utility poles.

Light, medium to dark grey roadway. Medium to dark brown utility poles.

Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

LINE

COLOR

TEX-
TURE

2. VEGETATION

3. STRUCTURES

Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.

Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.

Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.

Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

DEGREE OF CONTRAST

Form

Line

Color

Texture

LAND/WATER BODY (1)

VEGETATION (2)

STRUCTURES (3)

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

X

X

X

X

2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? ☒ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended ☐ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

Evaluator's Names
M. Paulson

Date
09/09/2011

Rationale:
Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would comply with VRM Class III management objects. Contrasts in these situations would be moderate or weak. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

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Project Location

KOP Location

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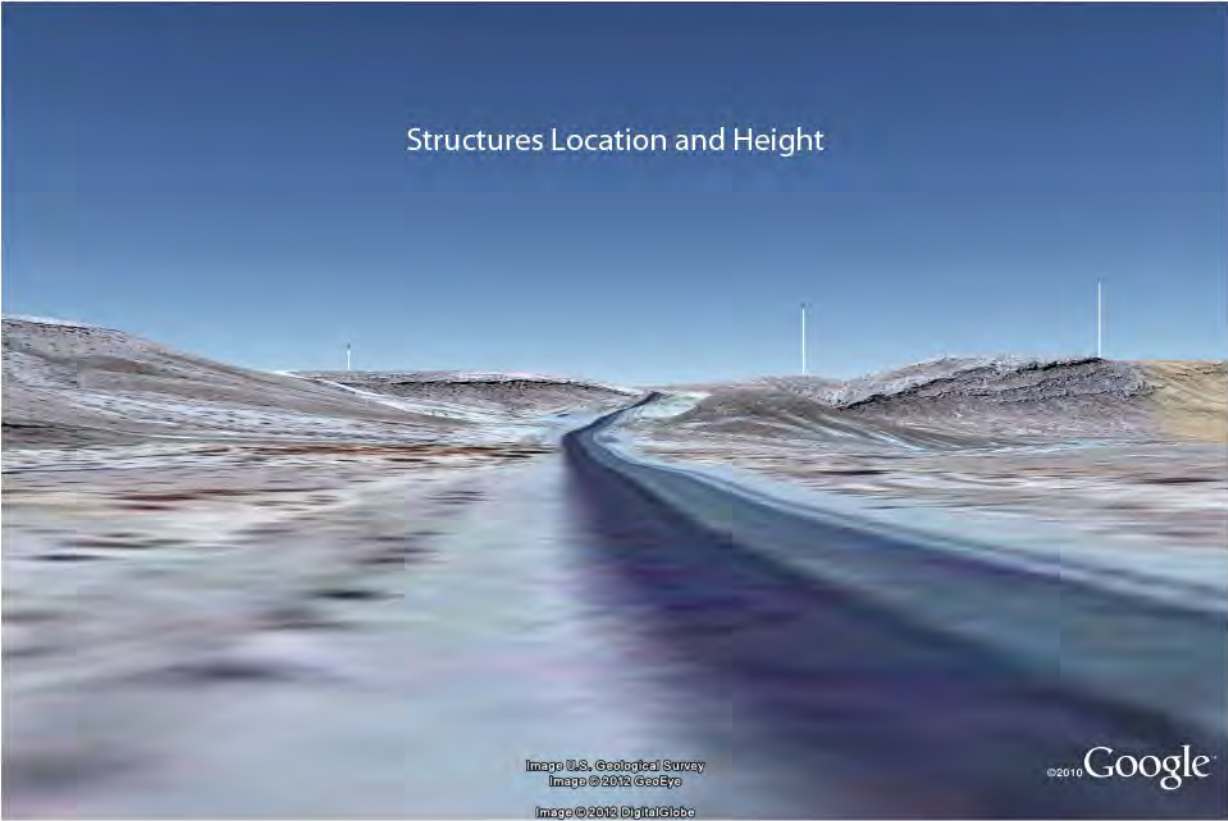
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Interstate 15
(southbound)
(Segment 550)

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Structures Location and Height

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Visual Contrast Rating Worksheet

Date 09/09/2011

District Southern Nevada DO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
LV-4

3. VRM Class
III (VRI Class III)

4. Location Nevada SH
169 (southbound)

Township 15S

Range 67E

Section 005

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-3

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

Rolling hills.

2. VEGETATION

FORM

Blanket and clumps of shrubs and grasses.

3. STRUCTURES

FORM

Undulating planar roadway and twin h-frame t-lines' cylindrical poles.

LINE

Horizontal, curvilinear and angular ridgelines.

LINE

Irregular shrubs and grass patterns.

LINE

Horizontal roadway and vertical and horizontal h-frame poles. Curvilinear conductors.

COLOR

Light to medium reddish tan and grey..

COLOR

Dark green and tan shrubs and tan grasses.

COLOR

Light, medium to dark grey roadway. Medium to dark brown utility poles. Light grey to silver conductors.

TEXTURE

Smooth to medium landform.

TEXTURE

Smooth, medium and coarse.

TEXTURE

Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

2. VEGETATION

FORM

3. STRUCTURES

FORM

Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.

LINE

LINE

LINE

Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.

COLOR

COLOR

COLOR

Medium to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.

TEXTURE

TEXTURE

TEXTURE

Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

SHORT TERM

LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST

LAND/WATER BODY (1)

VEGETATION (2)

STRUCTURES (3)

2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? ☒ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended ☐ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

Elements

Form

Line

Color

Texture

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

X

X

X

X

Evaluator's Names
M. Paulson

Date
09/09/2011

Rationale:
Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would comply with VRM Class III management objects. Contrasts in these situations would be moderate or weak. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

IDAHO

UTAH

NEVADA

ARIZONA

WYOMING

COLORADO

NEW MEXICO

Project Location

Map showing project location in Nevada, southbound Nevada State Hwy 169, Segment 550.

KOP Location

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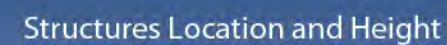
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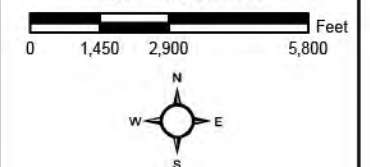
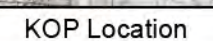
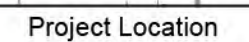
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Nevada State Hwy 169
(southbound)
(Segment 550)

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KOP LV-5
Nevada State Hwy 169
(northbound)
(Segment 550)



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Structures Location and Height



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Date 09/09/2011

District Southern Nevada DO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
LV-6

3. VRM Class
III (VRI Class III)

4. Location I-15/Hidden
Valley Interchange
Township 15S
Range 66E
Section 015

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-3

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Rolling and angular hills.	Blanket and clumps of shrubs and grasses.	Planar roadway and parking area.
LINE	Horizontal, curvilinear and angular ridgelines.	Irregular shrubs and grass patterns.	Horizontal roadway and parking area.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey..	Dark green and tan shrubs and tan grasses.	Light, medium tan roadway and parking area.
TEX- TURE	Smooth to medium landform.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)			
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)							
		Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None				
Elements	Form												X		3. Additional mitigating measures recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	Evaluator's Names M. Paulson	Date 09/09/2011
	Line												X				
	Color												X				
	Texture												X				

Rationale:
Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would comply with VRM Class III management objects. Contrasts in these situations would be moderate or weak. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

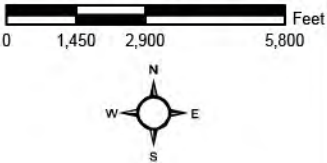
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Project Location



KOP Location



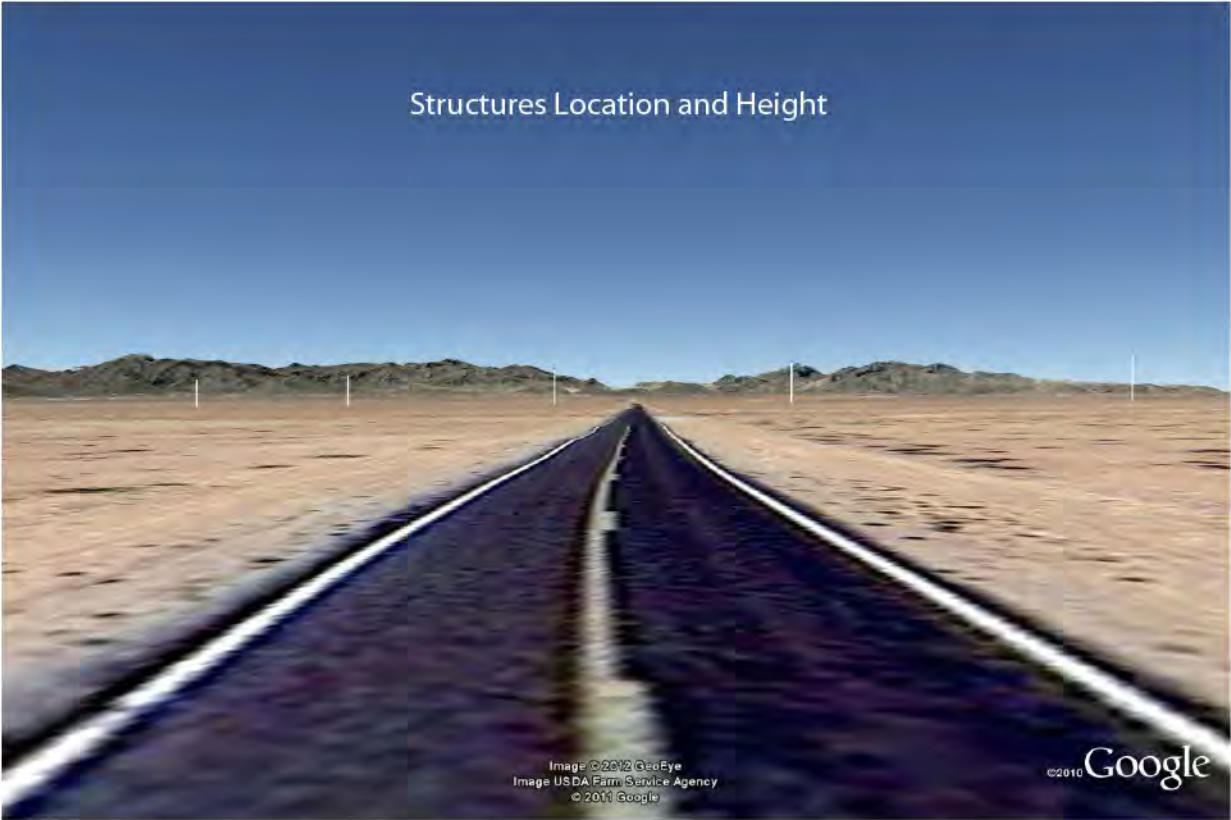
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TRANSMISSION PROJECT

KOP LV-6
Interstate 15
Hidden Valley Interchange
(Segment 550)





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Structures Location and Height

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Date09/09/2011

DistrictSouthern Nevada DO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
LV-7

3. VRM Class
III (VRI Class III)

4. Location Nevada SH
169 (southbound)

Township17S

Range65E

Section008

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-3

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

LINE

COLOR

TEXTURE

2. VEGETATION

Blanket and clumps of shrubs and grasses.

Irregular shrubs and grass patterns.

Dark tan and light green shrubs and tan grasses.

Smooth, medium and coarse.

3. STRUCTURES

Planar, slightly undulating roadway.

Horizontal, slightly curvilinear roadway..

Light, medium to dark grey roadway.

Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

LINE

COLOR

TEXTURE

2. VEGETATION

3. STRUCTURES

Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.

Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.

Medium to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.

Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

SHORT TERM

LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST

LAND/WATER BODY (1)

VEGETATION (2)

STRUCTURES (3)

2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives?

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended

Form

Line

Color

Texture

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Yes

No

Yes

No

Evaluator's Names

Date

M. Paulson

09/09/2011

Rationale:
Where the Project would be located within 0.5 miles of the viewer and does not parallel an existing transmission line and/or where access roads and vegetation clearing would occur in moderate to steep terrain, it would have a strong contrast and would not comply with VRM Class III management objectives. Mitigation measures (VR-1 and VR-7) would reduce strong contrasts to moderate resulting in moderate to low residual impacts where the Project is located more than 0.5 miles away from viewer locations.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

Project Location

KOP Location

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Nevada State Hwy 169
(southbound)
(Segment 570)

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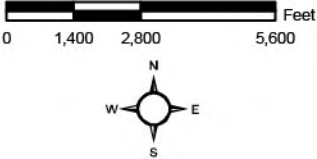
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Project Location



KOP Location



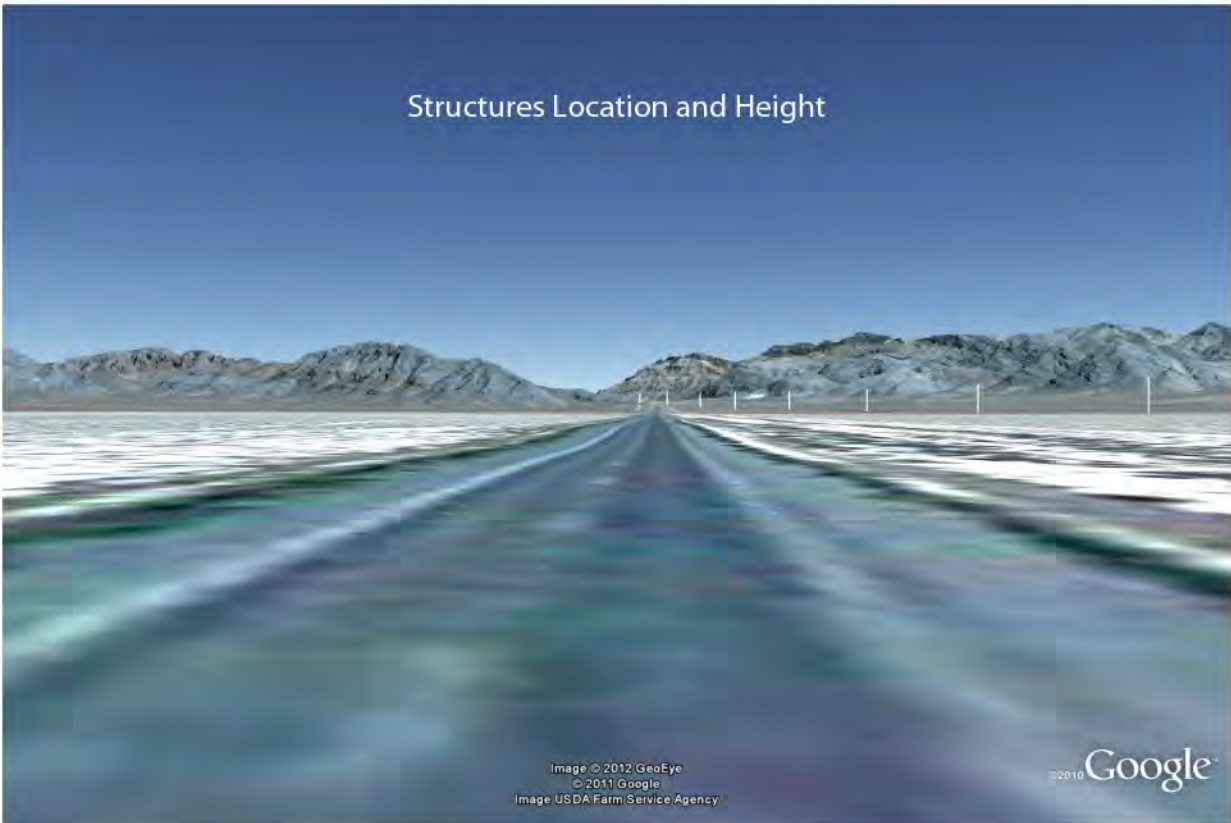
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KOP LV-7
(Segment 570)
Simulated Condition





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Visual Contrast Rating Worksheet

Date 09/08/2011

District Southern Nevada DO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
LV-8

3. VRM Class
III (VRI Class III)

4. Location U.S. 93
(northbound)
Township 16S
Range 63E
Section 016

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-3

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Undulating planar land form. Angular background mountains and rock formations.	Blanket and clumps of shrubs and grasses.	Planar roadway and cylindrical h-Frame poles. Pyramidal cell tower.
LINE	Horizontal foreground ridgeline and angular ridgelines and rock formations.	Irregular shrubs and grass patterns.	Horizontal roadway and vertical and horizontal h-Frame poles and curvilinear conductors. Vertical cell tower.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey..	Silver green shrubs and tan grasses..	Light, medium to dark grey roadway and light grey cell tower. Medium to dark brown utility poles and conductors.
TEXTURE	Smooth to medium landform.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM

☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)					
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)									
		Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None						
Elements	Form													X			3. Additional mitigating measures recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	Evaluator's Names M. Paulson	Date 09/08/2011
	Line													X					
	Color													X					
	Texture														X				

Rationale:
Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would comply with VRM Class III management objects. Contrasts in these situations would be moderate or weak. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

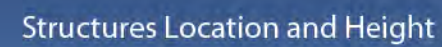
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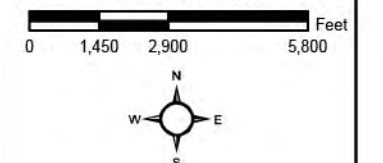
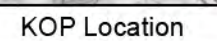
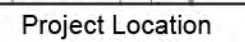
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KOP LV-8
U.S. 93 (northbound)
(Segment 520)

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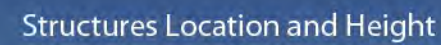
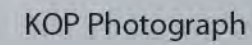
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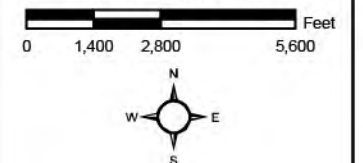
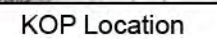
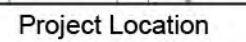
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KOP LV-9
U.S. 93 (eastbound)
(Segment 610)





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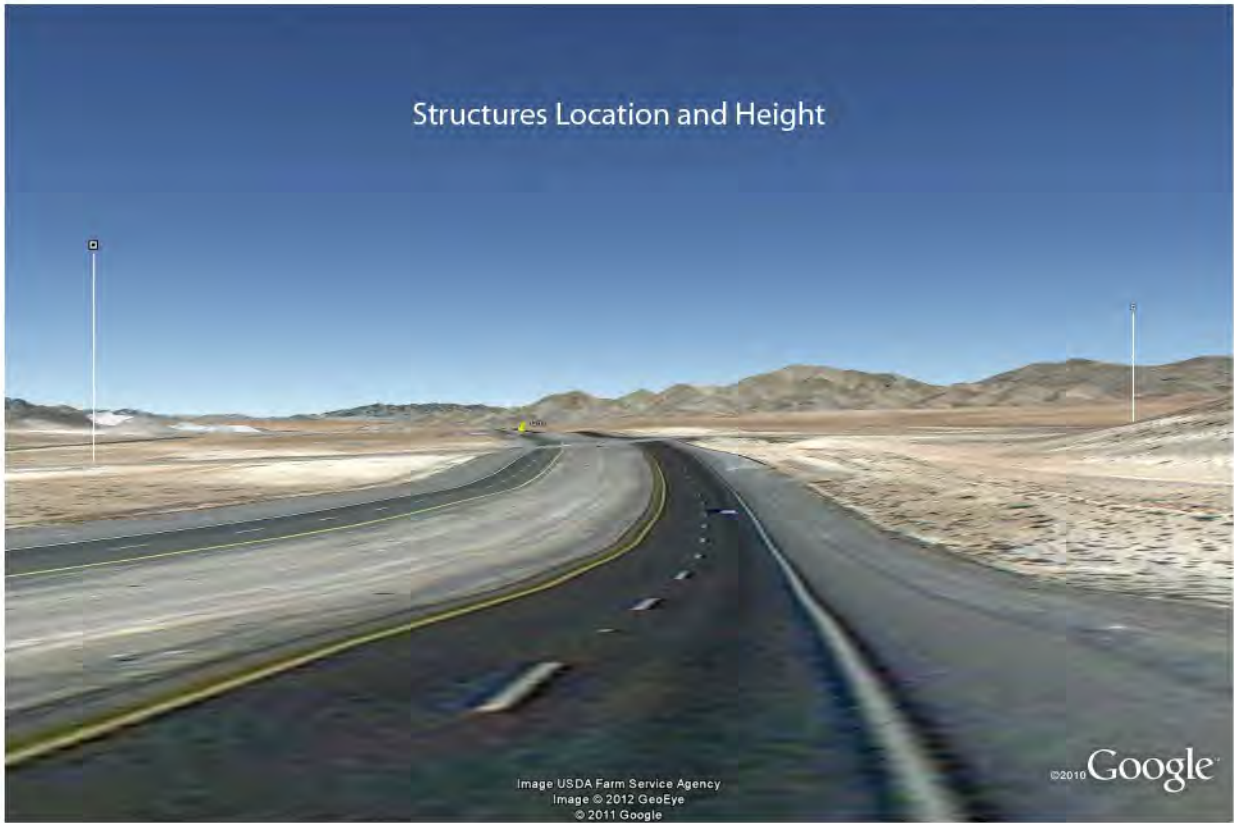
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KOP LV-10
Interstate-15
(southbound)
(Segment 610)





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Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name TransWest Express	4. Location <u>I-15</u> (northbound) Township <u>19S</u> Range <u>63E</u> Section <u>003</u>	5. Location Sketch Please see Figure 3.12-3
2. Key Observation Point LV-11		
3. VRM Class Private		

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Planar valley floor and angular mountains.	Blanket and clumps of shrubs and grasses.	Planar roadways and bridge. Multiple utilities, including t-lines.
LINE	Horizontal valley floor, curvilinear and angular ridgelines.	Irregular shrubs and grass patterns.	Horizontal roadways and bridge. Vertical utilities.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey..	Dark tan and light green shrubs and tan grasses.	Light, medium grey roadway and dark grey bridge. Medium to dark grey utilities.
TEX- TURE	Smooth to medium landform.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING ☐ SHORT TERM ☒ LONG TERM

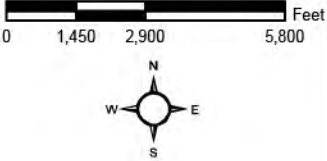
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Project Location



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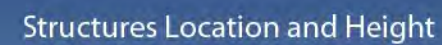
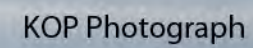
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KOP LV-11
Interstate 15
(northbound)
(Segment 610)

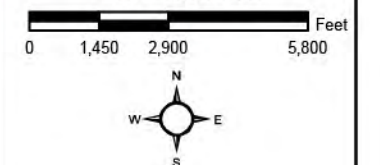
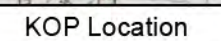
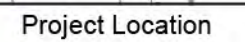


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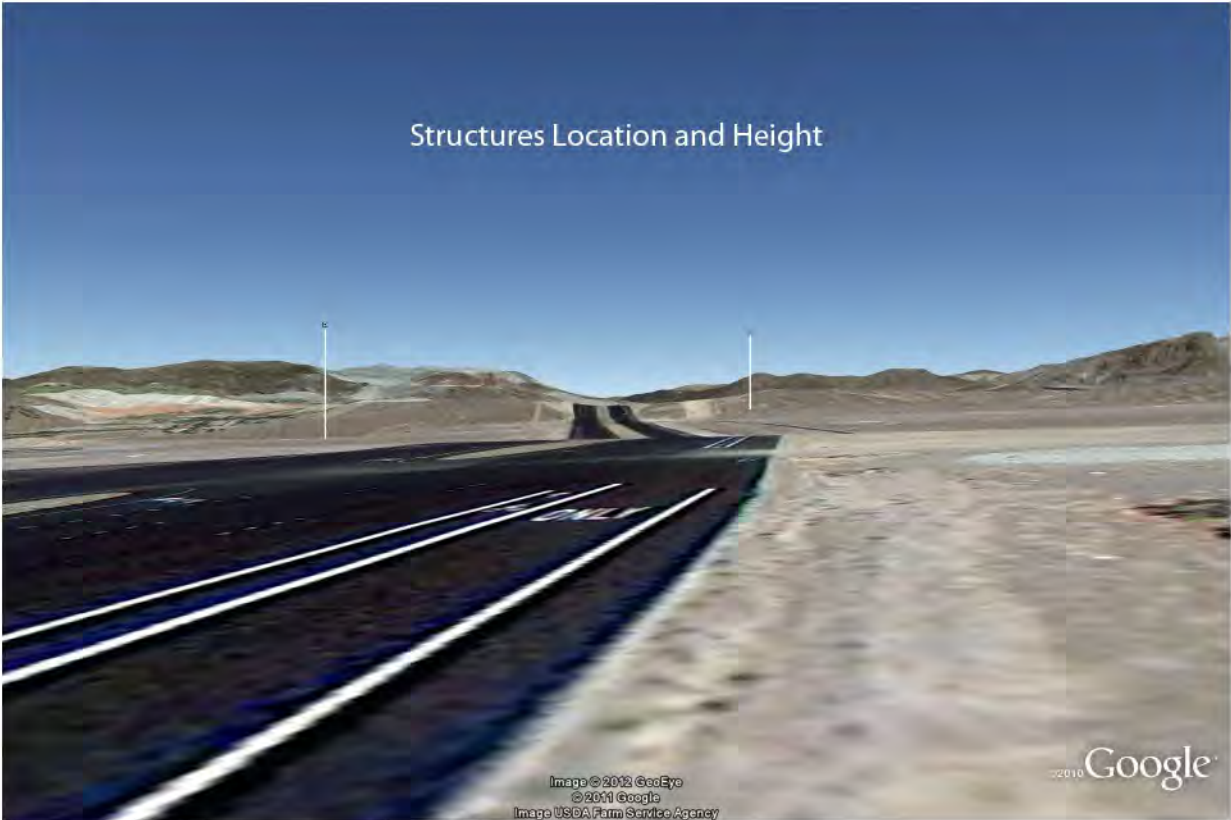
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KOP LV-19
U.S. 93 (westbound)
(Segment 760)





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Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
LV-20

3. VRM Class
Private

4. Location U.S. 93
(westbound).

Township 21S

Range 63E

Section 033

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-4

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Flat planar valley, disturbed planar mining, and angular mountains.	Clumps of desert shrubs and grasses.	Planar roadways. Multiple pyramidal steel lattice structures and multiple conductors.
LINE	Horizontal mining, angular ridgelines.	Irregular shrubs and grass patterns.	Horizontal roadway. Vertical t-line structures. Curvilinear conductors.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey.	Dark brown and tan desert shrubs and grasses.	Medium to dark grey roadway. Medium to dark grey utilities.
TEXTURE	Smooth to medium landform.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM

☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	
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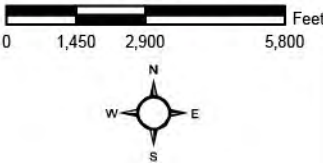
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KOP LV-20
U.S. 93 (westbound)
(Segment 700)





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Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
LV-21

3. VRM Class
Private

4. Location U.S. 93-95
(southbound)
Township 22S
Range 63E
Section 035

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-4

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Flat planar valley and angular mountains.	Clumps of desert shrubs and grasses.	Planar roadways. Multiple pyramidal steel lattice structures and multiple conductors. Cylindrical utility poles.
LINE	Angular ridgelines.	Irregular shrubs and grass patterns.	Horizontal roadway. Vertical t-line structures. Curvilinear conductors.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey..	Dark brown and tan desert shrubs and grasses.	Medium to dark grey roadway. Medium to dark grey utilities.
TEX- TURE	Smooth to medium landform.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Medium silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

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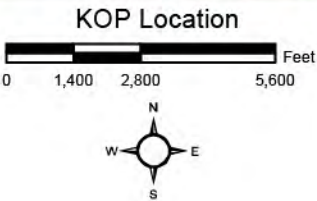
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Rationale:

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Project Location



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KOP LV-21
U.S. 93-95 (southbound)
(Segment 790)





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Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
LV-22

3. VRM Class
IV (VRI Class III)

4. Location U.S. 95
(northbound).
Township 23S
Range 63E
Section 014

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-4

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Flat planar valley, disturbed planar mining, and angular mountains.	Clumps of desert shrubs and grasses.	Planar roadways. Multiple pyramidal steel lattice structures and multiple conductors. Multiple buildings and signs.
LINE	Horizontal mining, angular ridgelines.	Irregular shrubs and grass patterns.	Horizontal roadway. Vertical t-line structures. Curvilinear conductors. Horizontal and vertical blds and signs.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey.	Dark brown and tan desert shrubs and grasses.	Medium to dark grey roadway. Medium to dark grey utilities.
TEXTURE	Smooth to medium landform.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING ☐ SHORT TERM ☒ LONG TERM

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Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

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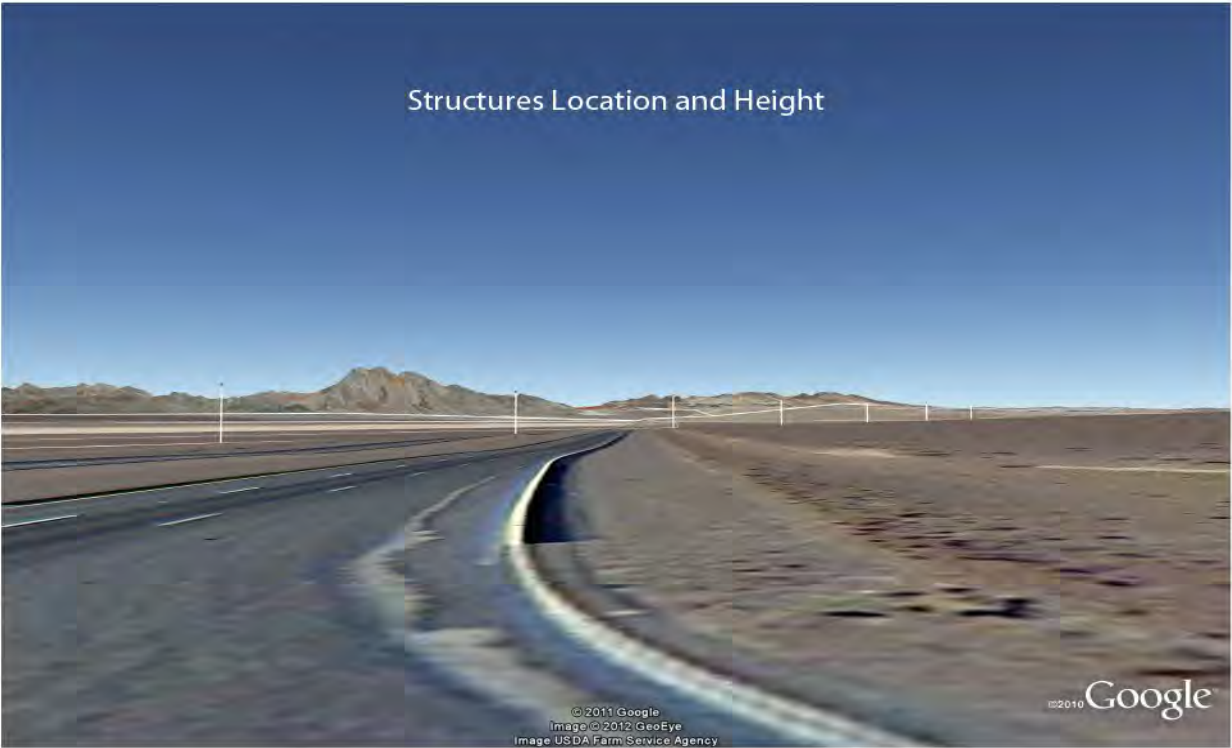
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U.S. 95 (northbound)
(Segment 820)

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Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name TransWest Express	4. Location U.S. 95 (northbound), Township 23S Range 63E Section 027	5. Location Sketch Please see Figure 3.12-4
2. Key Observation Point LV-23		
3. VRM Class Private		

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Flat planar valley, planar mining disturbance and angular mountains.	Clumps of desert shrubs and grasses.	Planar roadways. Multiple pyramidal steel lattice structures and multiple conductors. Cylindrical utility poles.
LINE	Angular ridgelines and horizontal valley.	Irregular shrubs and grass patterns.	Horizontal roadway. Vertical t-line structures. Curvilinear conductors.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey..	Dark brown and tan desert shrubs and grasses.	Medium to dark grey roadway. Medium to dark grey utilities.
TEXTURE	Smooth to medium landform.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

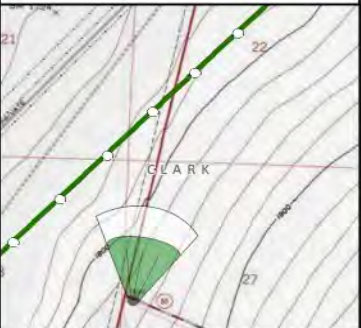
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FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING ☐ SHORT TERM ☒ LONG TERM

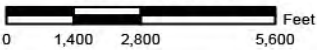
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Project Location



KOP Location



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KOP LV-23
U.S. 95 (northbound)
(Segment 770)





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Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
LV-24

3. VRM Class
Private (Private)

4. Location U.S. 95
(southbound).
Township 24S
Range 63E
Section 015

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-4

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Flat planar valley and angular mountains.	Clumps of desert shrubs and grasses.	Planar roadways. Multiple pyramidal steel lattice structures and multiple conductors. Cylindrical utility poles.
LINE	Angular ridgelines and horizontal valley.	Irregular shrubs and grass patterns.	Horizontal roadway. Vertical t-line structures. Curvilinear conductors.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey..	Dark brown and tan desert shrubs and grasses.	Medium to dark grey roadway. Medium to dark grey utilities.
TEX- TURE	Smooth to medium landform.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Medium to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING ☐ SHORT TERM ☒ LONG TERM

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Rationale:

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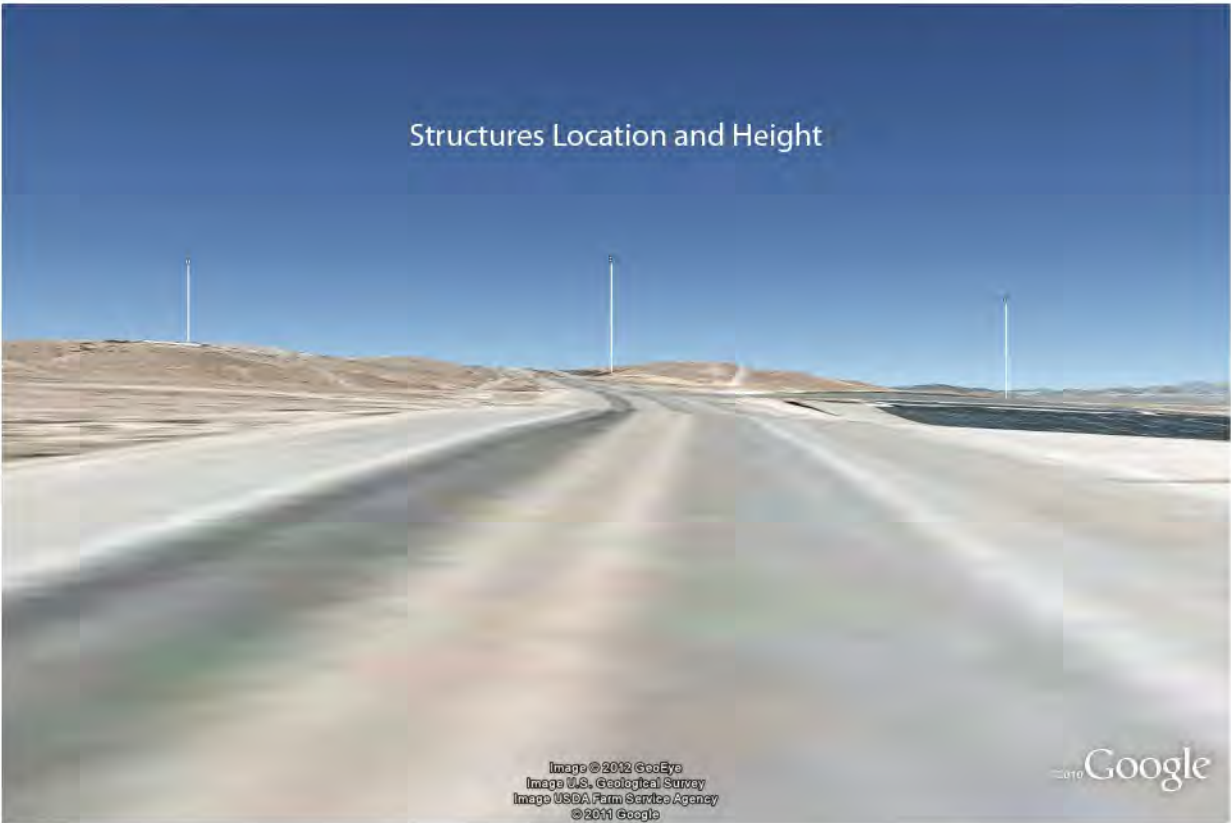
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U.S. 95 (southbound)
(Segment 770)

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Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name TransWest Express	4. Location Nevada SH 168 (westbound). Township Range Section	5. Location Sketch Please see Figure 3.12-3
2. Key Observation Point LV-34		
3. VRM Class III		

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Flat planar valley and rolling hills.	Clumps of desert shrubs and grasses.	Planar roadway. Multiple pyramidal steel lattice structures and multiple conductors. Cylindrical utility poles.
LINE	Curvilinear ridgelines and horizontal valley.	Irregular shrubs and grass patterns.	Horizontal roadway. Vertical t-line structures. Curvilinear conductors.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey..	Dark brown and tan desert shrubs and grasses.	Medium to dark grey roadway. Medium to dark grey utilities. Dark brown utility poles.
TEX- TURE	Smooth to medium landform.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING ☐ SHORT TERM ☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	
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	Color														
	Texture														

Rationale:
Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would comply with VRM Class III management objects. Contrasts in these situations would be moderate or weak. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

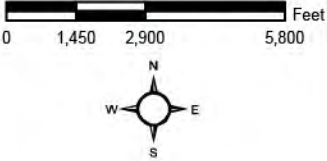
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Project Location



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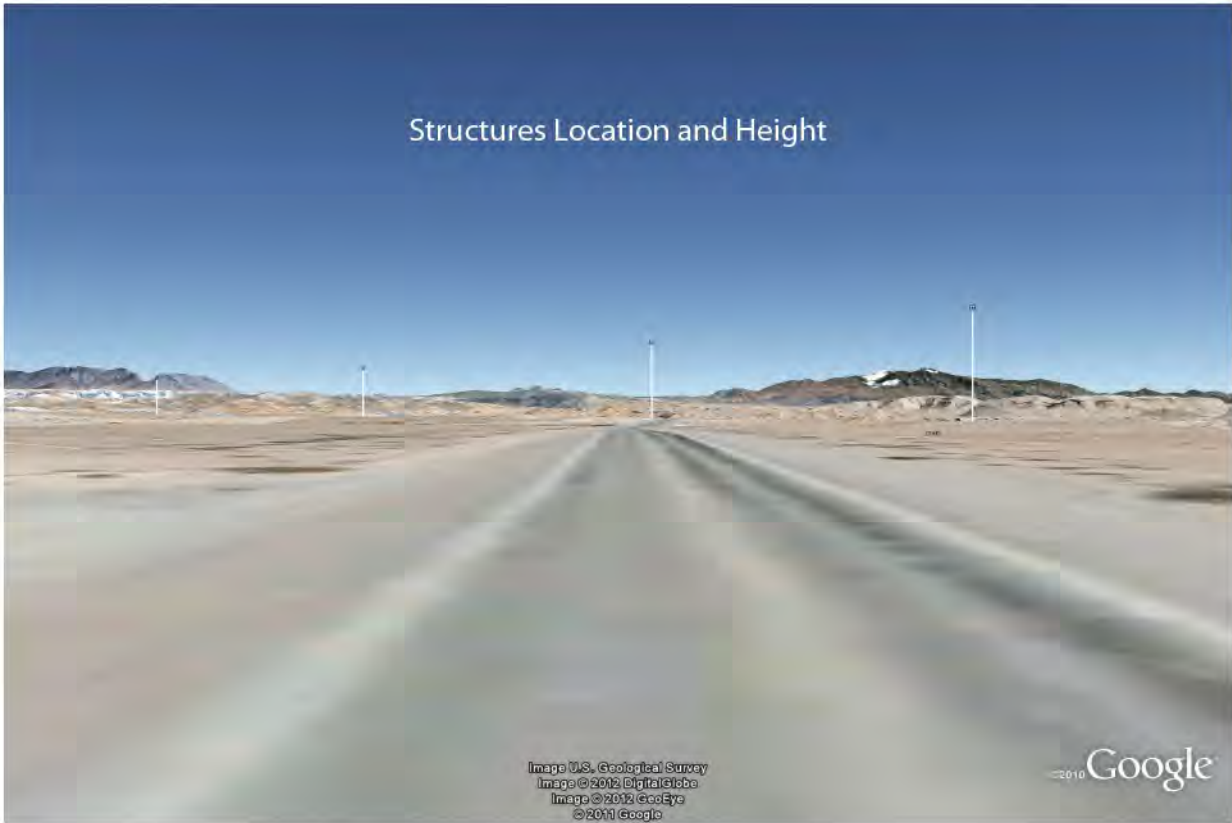
TRANSWEST EXPRESS
TRANSMISSION PROJECT

KOP LV-34
Nevada State Hwy 168
(westbound)
(Segment 540)





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Structures Location and Height

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Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name TransWest Express	4. Location Nevada SH 168 (eastbound) Township 14S Range 66E Section 033	5. Location Sketch Please see Figure 3.12-3
2. Key Observation Point LV-35		
3. VRM Class III (VRI Class III)		

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Flat planar valley, rolling hills and angular mountains.	Clumps of desert shrubs and grasses.	Planar roadways. Pyramidal steel lattice structures. Cylindrical utility poles.
LINE	Curvilinear ridgelines and horizontal valley.	Irregular shrubs and grass patterns.	Horizontal roadway. Vertical t-line structures.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey..	Dark brown and tan desert shrubs and grasses.	Medium to dark grey roadway. Medium to dark grey utilities. Dark brown utility poles.
TEX- TURE	Smooth to medium landform.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING ☐ SHORT TERM ☒ LONG TERM

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Rationale:
Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would comply with VRM Class III management objects. Contrasts in these situations would be moderate or weak. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

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Project Location



KOP Location

0 1,450 2,900 5,800 Feet



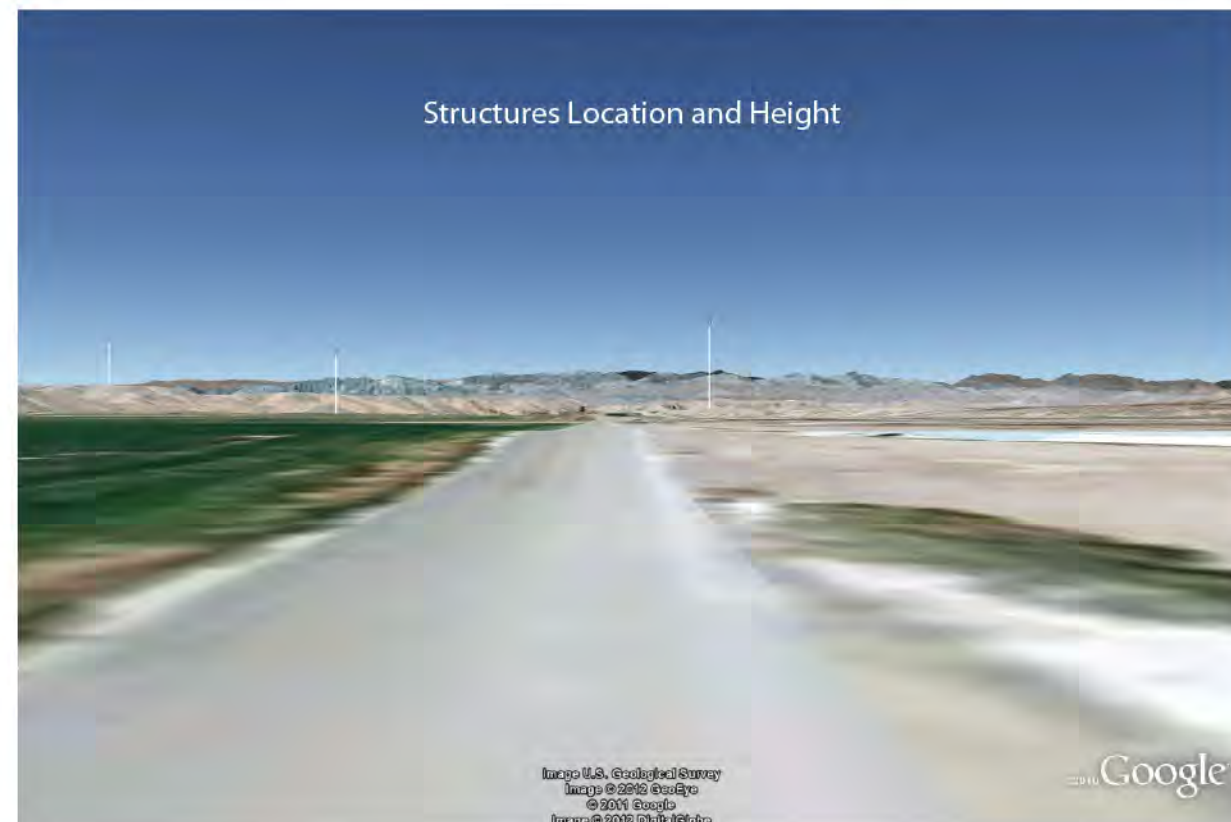
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TRANSMISSION PROJECT

KOP LV-35
Nevada State Hwy 168
(eastbound)
(Segment 540)





KOP Photograph



Structures Location and Height

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VISUAL CONTRAST RATING WORKSHEET																								District Southern Nevada DO																							
SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION																								Resource Area																							
SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION																								Activity (program)																							
1. Project Name TransWest Express												4. Location Nevada SH 168 (eastbound). Township 15S Range 66E Section 4												5. Location Sketch Please see Figure 3.12-3																							
2. Key Observation Point LV-36												3. VRM Class III												SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION																							
1. LAND/WATER												2. VEGETATION												3. STRUCTURES																							
FORM				Flat planar valley, rolling hills and angular mountains.								LINE				Curvilinear ridgelines and horizontal valley.								COLOR				Light to medium reddish tan and grey..								TEX- TURE				Smooth to medium landform.							
FORM				Clumps of desert shrubs and grasses.								LINE				Irregular shrubs and grass patterns.								COLOR				Dark brown and tan desert shrubs and grasses.								TEX- TURE				Smooth, medium and coarse.							
FORM				Planar roadways. Pyramidal steel lattice structures. Cylindrical utility poles.								LINE				Horizontal roadway. Vertical t-line structures.								COLOR				Medium to dark grey roadway. Medium to dark grey utilities. Dark brown utility poles.								TEX- TURE				Smooth to medium.							
1. LAND/WATER												2. VEGETATION												3. STRUCTURES																							
FORM												LINE												COLOR												TEX- TURE											
FORM				Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.								LINE				Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.								COLOR				Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.								TEX- TURE				Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.							
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1. LAND/WATER												2. VEGETATION												3. STRUCTURES																							
FORM												LINE												COLOR												TEX- TURE											

Rationale:

Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would comply with VRM Class III management objects. Contrasts in these situations would be moderate or weak. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

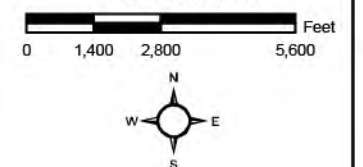
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Project Location



KOP Location



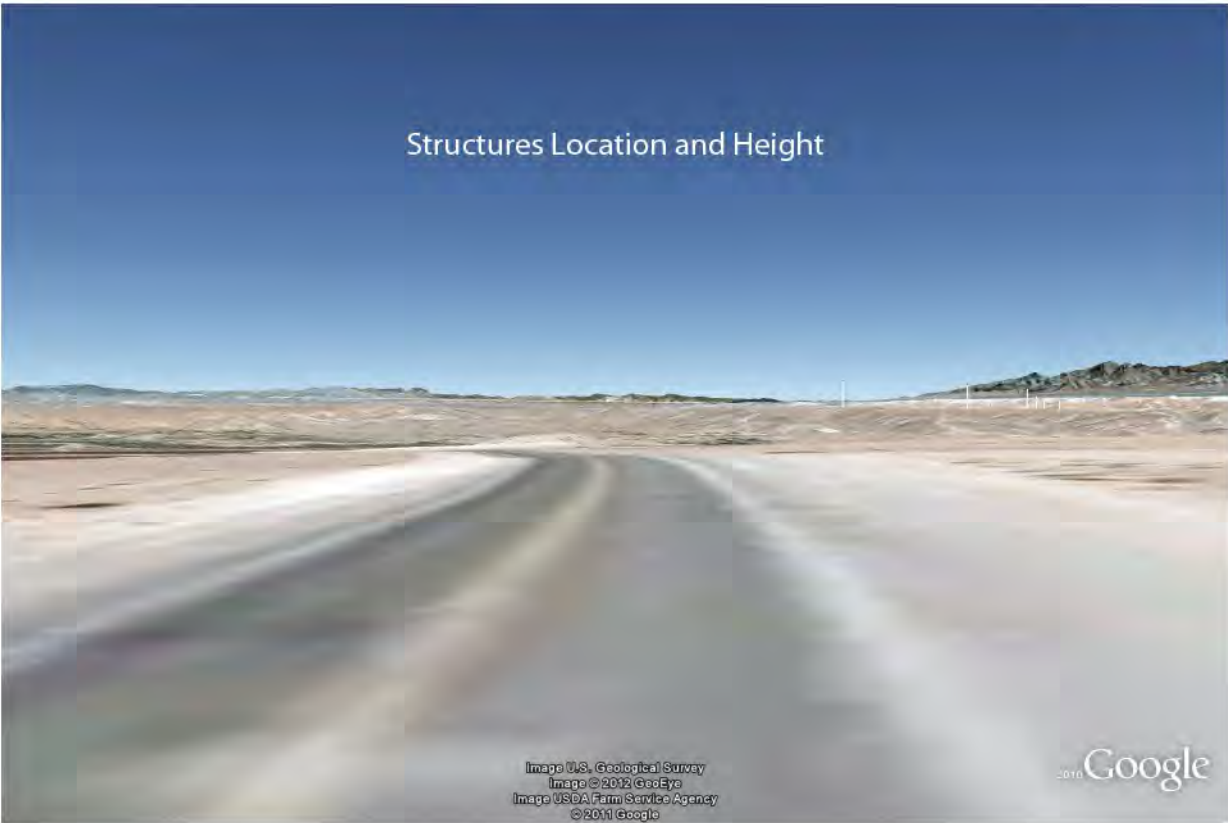
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KOP LV-36
Nevada State Hwy 168
(westbound)
(Segment 540)





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VISUAL CONTRAST RATING WORKSHEET

Date 09/09/2011

District Southern Nevada DO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
LV-37

3. VRM Class
III

4. Location Nevada SH
78 (westbound).
Township 15S
Range 660E
Section 10

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-3

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Flat planar valley and rolling hills.	Clumps of desert shrubs and grasses.	Planar roadway. Multiple pyramidal steel lattice structures and multiple conductors. Cylindrical utility poles.
LINE	Curvilinear ridgelines and horizontal valley.	Irregular shrubs and grass patterns.	Horizontal roadway. Vertical t-line structures. Curvilinear conductors.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey..	Dark brown and tan desert shrubs and grasses.	Medium to dark grey roadway. Medium to dark grey utilities. Dark brown utility poles.
TEX- TURE	Smooth to medium landform.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM

☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)					
		Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None		
Elements	Form														3. Additional mitigating measures recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)
	Line														
	Color														
	Texture														
														Evaluator's Names M. Paulson	Date 09/09/2011

Rationale:
Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would comply with VRM Class III management objects. Contrasts in these situations would be moderate or weak. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

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Project Location

KOP Location

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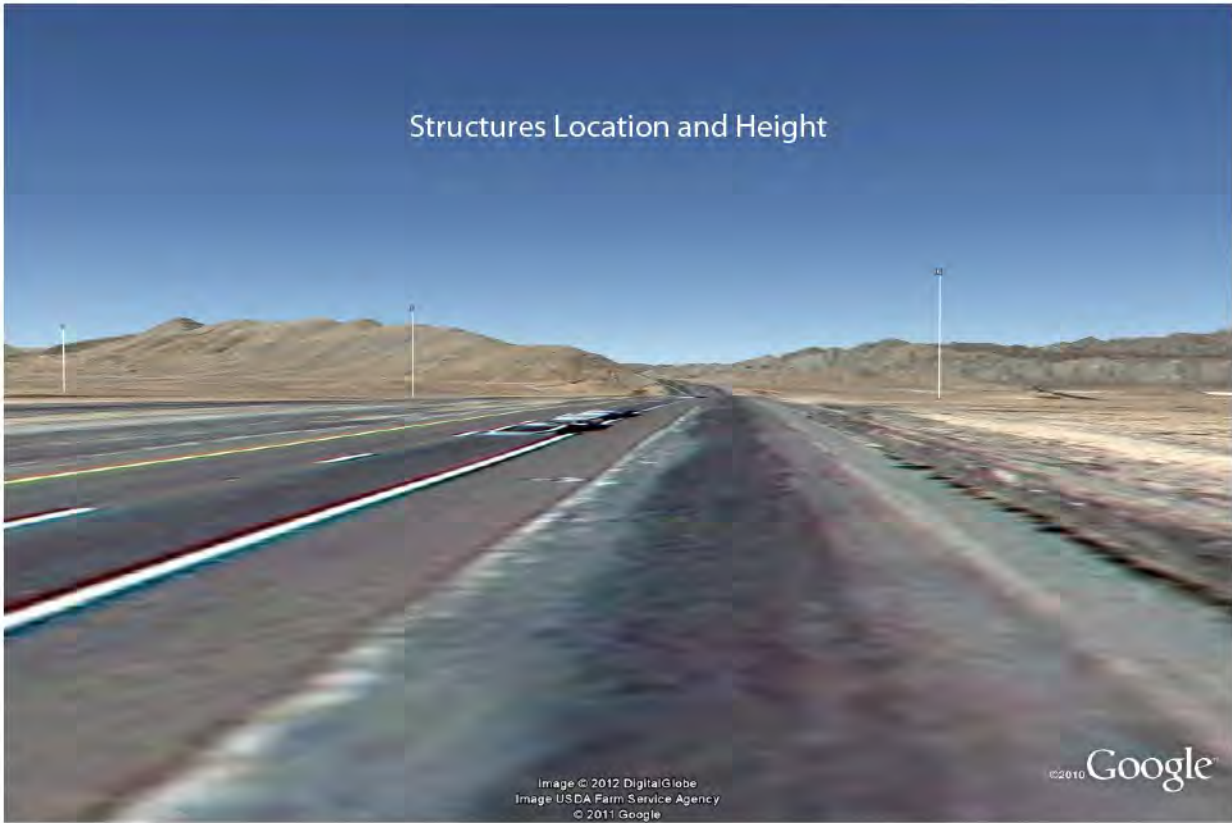
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KOP LV-37
Nevada State Hwy 78
(westbound)
(Segment 540)



KOP Photograph



Structures Location and Height

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Visual Contrast Rating Worksheet

Date 09/10/2011

District Southern Nevada DO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
LV-38

3. VRM Class
IV (VRI Class III)

4. Location I-15
(southbound)
Township 17S
Range 64E
Section 015

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-3

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Rolling hills and angular mountains.	Clumps of desert shrubs and grasses.	Planar roadways. Pyramidal steel lattice structures and multiple conductors.
LINE	Curvilinear and angular ridgelines.	Irregular shrubs and grass patterns.	Horizontal roadway. Vertical t-line structures. Curvilinear conductors.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey..	Dark brown and tan desert shrubs and grasses.	Medium to dark grey roadway. Medium to dark grey utilities. Dark brown utility poles.
TEX- TURE	Smooth to medium landform.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)			
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)							
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Elements	Form												X		3. Additional mitigating measures recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	Evaluator's Names M. Paulson	Date 09/10/2011
	Line												X				
	Color												X				
	Texture												X				

Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

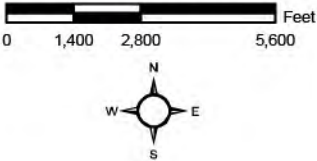
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Project Location



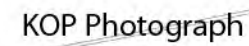
KOP Location



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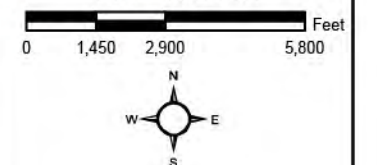
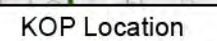
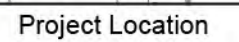
KOP LV-38
Interstate 15
(southbound)
(Segment 590)





Rationale:
Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would comply with VRM Class III management objects. Contrasts in these situations would be moderate or weak. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

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KOP LV-39
Interstate 15
(northbound)
(Segment 590)





KOP Photograph



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Visual Contrast Rating Worksheet

Date 09/10/2011

District Southern Nevada DO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
LV-41

3. VRM Class
III (VRI Class III)

4. Location Lake Mead
Blvd Recreation Area
Township 20S
Range 63E
Section 026

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-4

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Rolling hills and angular mountains.	Clumps of desert shrubs and grasses.	Planar parking and signage.
LINE	Curvilinear and angular ridgelines.	Irregular shrubs and grass patterns.	Horizontal gravel parking and vertical and horizontal signage.
COLOR	Light to medium reddish tan and grey.	Dark brown and tan desert shrubs and grasses.	Light to medium gray parking. White, green, and reddish brown signage.
TEXTURE	Smooth to medium landform.	Smooth, medium and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM

☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)		
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)						
		Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None			
Elements	Form												X			3. Additional mitigating measures recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)
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	Color												X			
	Texture												X			

Evaluator's Names
M. Paulson

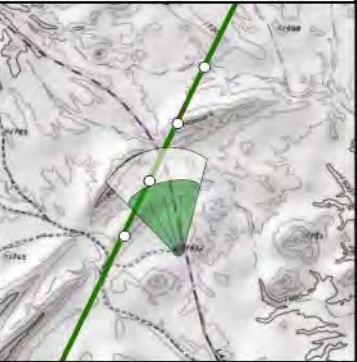
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Rationale:
Where the Project would be located within 0.5 miles of the viewer and does not parallel an existing transmission line and/or where access roads and vegetation clearing would occur in moderate to steep terrain, it would have a strong contrast and would not comply with VRM Class III management objectives. Mitigation measures (VR-1 and VR-7) would reduce strong contrasts to moderate resulting in moderate to low residual impacts where the Project is located more than 0.5 miles away from viewer locations.

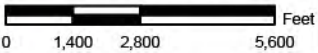
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Project Location



KOP Location



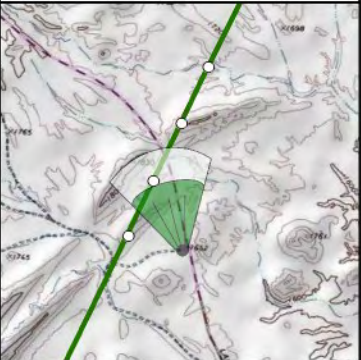
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KOP LV-41
Lake Mead Boulevard
Recreation Area
(Segment 630)

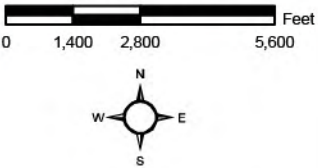




Project Location



KOP Location



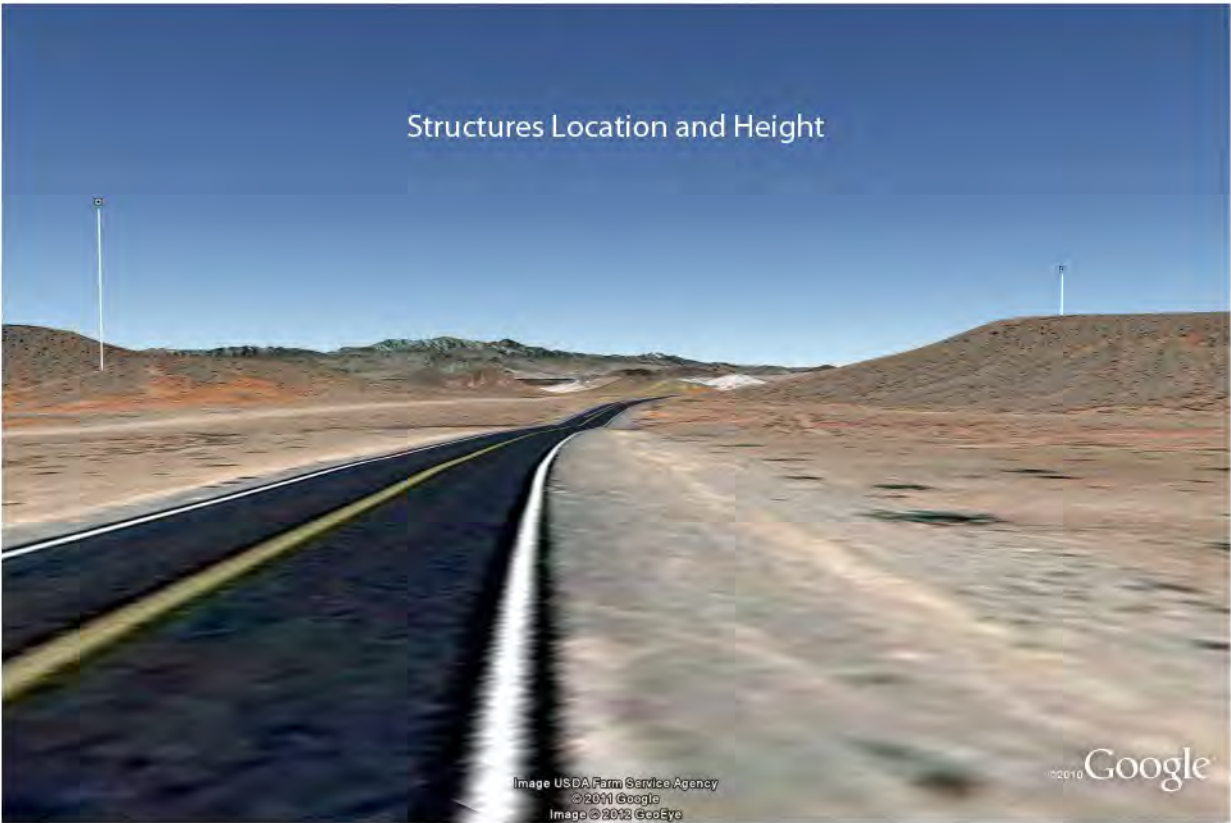
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TRANSMISSION PROJECT

KOP LV-41
(Segment 630)
Simulated Condition





KOP Photograph



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Visual Contrast Rating Worksheet

Date 09/10/2011

District Southern Nevada DO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
LV-42

3. VRM Class
III (VRI Class III)

4. Location Lake Mead
Blvd (southbound)

Township 20S

Range 63E

Section 022

5. Location
Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-4

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

Rolling hills and angular mountains.
Planar water.

2. VEGETATION

FORM

Clumps of desert shrubs and grasses.

3. STRUCTURES

FORM

Planar roadway. Multiple pyramidal steel
structures.

LINE

Curvilinear and angular ridgelines.
Horizontal water.

LINE

Irregular shrubs and grass patterns.

LINE

Meandering roadway and vertical t-lines.
Curvilinear conductors.

COLOR

Light to medium reddish tan and
grey..

COLOR

Dark brown and tan desert shrubs and
grasses.

COLOR

Medium to dark grey roadway and dark
grey t-lines.

TEX-
TURE

Smooth to medium landform.

TEX-
TURE

Smooth, medium and coarse.

TEX-
TURE

Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

2. VEGETATION

FORM

3. STRUCTURES

FORM

Pyramidal steel lattice structures and
guys, and tubular conductors.

LINE

LINE

LINE

Vertical steel lattice structures, angular
guys, and curvilinear conductors.

COLOR

COLOR

COLOR

Light silver to dark grey steel lattice
structures, guys, and conductors.

TEX-
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TEX-
TURE

Coarse steel lattice structures, and
smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

SHORT TERM

LONG TERM

DEGREE OF
CONTRAST

LAND/WATER
BODY
(1)

VEGETATION
(2)

STRUCTURES
(3)

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

2. Does project design meet visual resource
management objectives? ☒ Yes ☐ No
(Explain on reverse side)

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended
☐ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

Elements

Form

Line

Color

Texture

X

X

X

X

Evaluator's Names
M. Paulson

Date
09/10/2011

Rationale:
Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would comply with VRM Class III management objects. Contrasts in these situations would be moderate or weak. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

A map of the southwestern United States, showing the states of Nevada, Utah, Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado, and Wyoming. A green line indicates the project route, starting in Nevada and extending eastward. A blue dot marks the project location in southern Nevada.

Project Location

A topographic map showing the KOP location. The map features contour lines and a green line representing the project route. A green triangle highlights the KOP location. A scale bar and a north arrow are also present.

KOP Location

A scale bar showing distances in feet: 0, 1,450, 2,900, and 5,800. Below the scale bar is a north arrow pointing upwards, with labels for North (N), South (S), East (E), and West (W).

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KOP LV-42
Lake Mead Boulevard
(southbound)
(Segment 630)

The logo for the Bureau of Land Management, featuring a mountain, a river, and a tree.

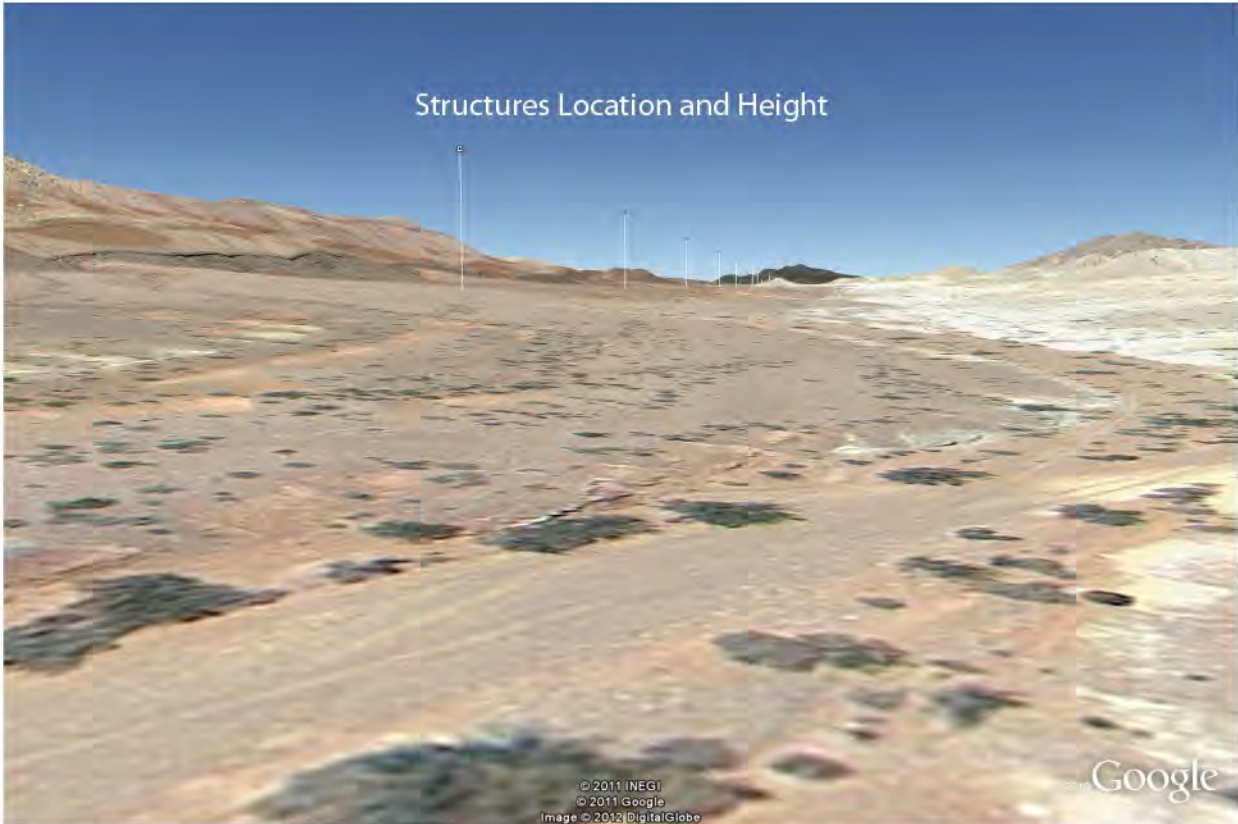
The logo for the Western Area Power Administration, featuring a stylized mountain and the text "Western AREA POWER ADMINISTRATION".

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Date 09/10/2011

District Southern Nevada DO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
LV-43

3. VRM Class
III (VRI Class III)

4. Location Pabco BLM
Recreation Road
Township 21S
Range 63E
Section 004

5. Location
Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-4

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM
Rolling hills and angular mountains.
Planar water.

LINE
Curvilinear and angular ridgelines.
Horizontal water.

COLOR
Light to medium reddish tan and grey..

TEX-
TURE
Smooth to medium landform.

2. VEGETATION

Clumps of desert shrubs and grasses.
Irregular shrubs and grass patterns.
Dark brown and tan desert shrubs and grasses.
Smooth, medium and coarse.

3. STRUCTURES

Planar roadway. Cuboid bollards. Linear cables.
Meandering roadway. Vertical and horizontal bollards and curvilinear cables.
Light to medium reddish tan roadway. Medium to dark brown bollards.
Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

LINE

COLOR

TEX-
TURE

2. VEGETATION

3. STRUCTURES

Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

SHORT TERM

LONG TERM

DEGREE OF
CONTRAST

LAND/WATER
BODY
(1)

VEGETATION
(2)

STRUCTURES
(3)

2. Does project design meet visual resource
management objectives? ☐ Yes ☒ No
(Explain on reverse side)

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended
☐ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

Elements

Form

Line

Color

Texture

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

X

X

X

X

Evaluator's Names

Date

M. Paulson

09/10/2011

Rationale:
Where the Project would be located within 0.5 miles of the viewer and does not parallel an existing transmission line and/or where access roads and vegetation clearing would occur in moderate to steep terrain, it would have a strong contrast and would not comply with VRM Class III management objectives. Mitigation measures (VR-1 and VR-7) would reduce strong contrasts to moderate resulting in moderate to low residual impacts where the Project is located more than 0.5 miles away from viewer locations.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

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WYOMING

NEVADA

UTAH

COLORADO

ARIZONA

NEW MEXICO

Project Location

KOP Location

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KOP LV-43
Pabco BLM
Recreation Road
(Segment 630)

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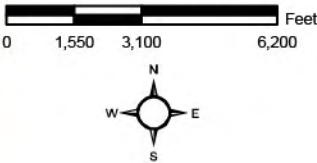
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Project Location



KOP Location



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KOP LV-43
Simulated Condition
(Segment 630)

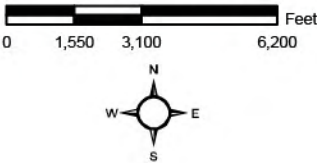




Project Location



KOP Location



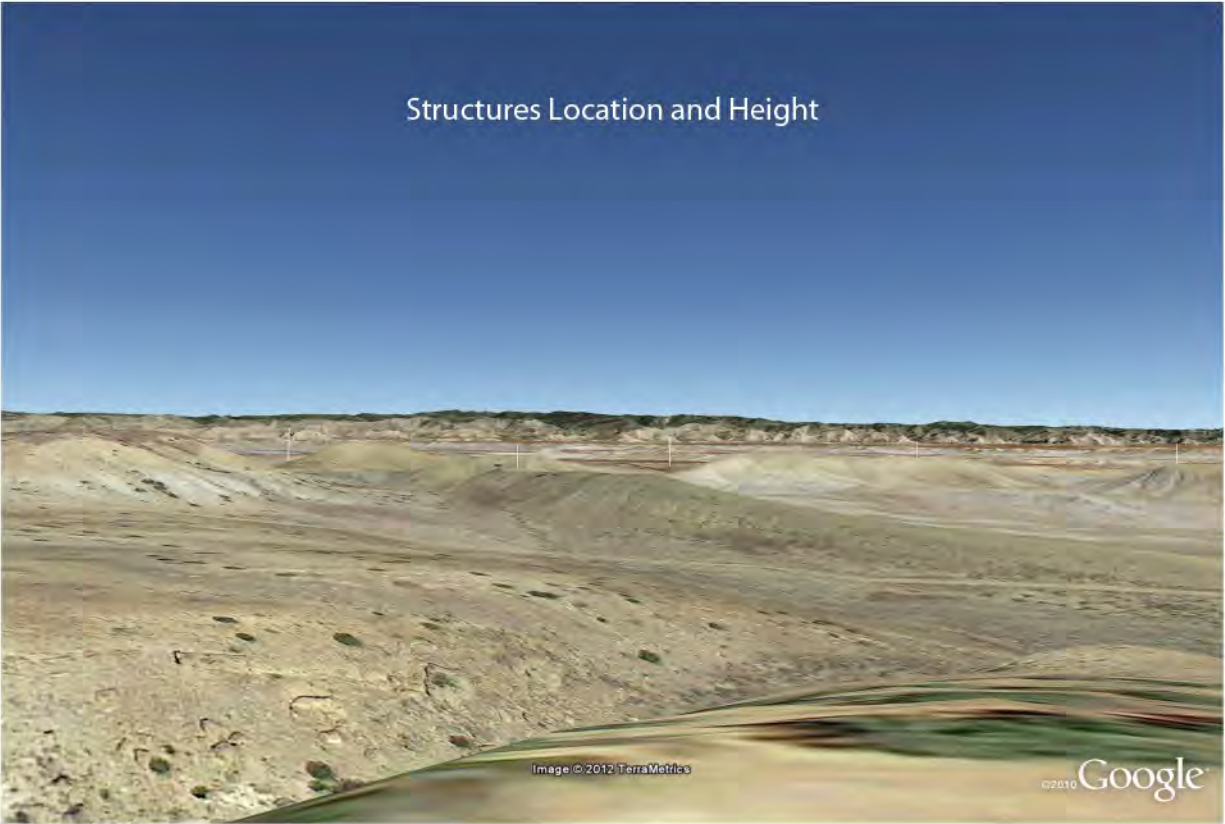
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KOP LV-43
Cumulative Condition
(Segment 630)





KOP Photograph



Structures Location and Height

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VISUAL CONTRAST RATING WORKSHEET

Date 07/26/2011

District Moab FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
M-1

3. VRM Class
III (VRI Class III)

4. Location I-70 Scenic
Overlook
Township 19S
Range 25E
Section 2

5. Location
Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Planar ridgeline. Irregular and rounded background mesas. Rolling valley ridges.	Scattered clumps of trees, grasses and forbs.	NA
LINE	Horizontal ridgeline.	Irregular edges of trees, shrubs and grasses.	NA
COLOR	Light to medium light to medium brown and grey rock and soil.	Light tan to medium reddish browns.	NA
TEX- TURE	Smooth to coarse landforms.	Smooth, moderate and coarse.	NA

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	
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	Line												X		
	Color													X	
	Texture													X	

Rationale:
Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would comply with VRM Class III management objects. Contrasts in these situations would be moderate or weak. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

Project Location

KOP Location

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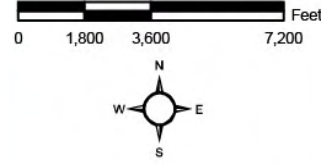
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I-70 Scenic Overlook
(Segment 220.1)



Project Location



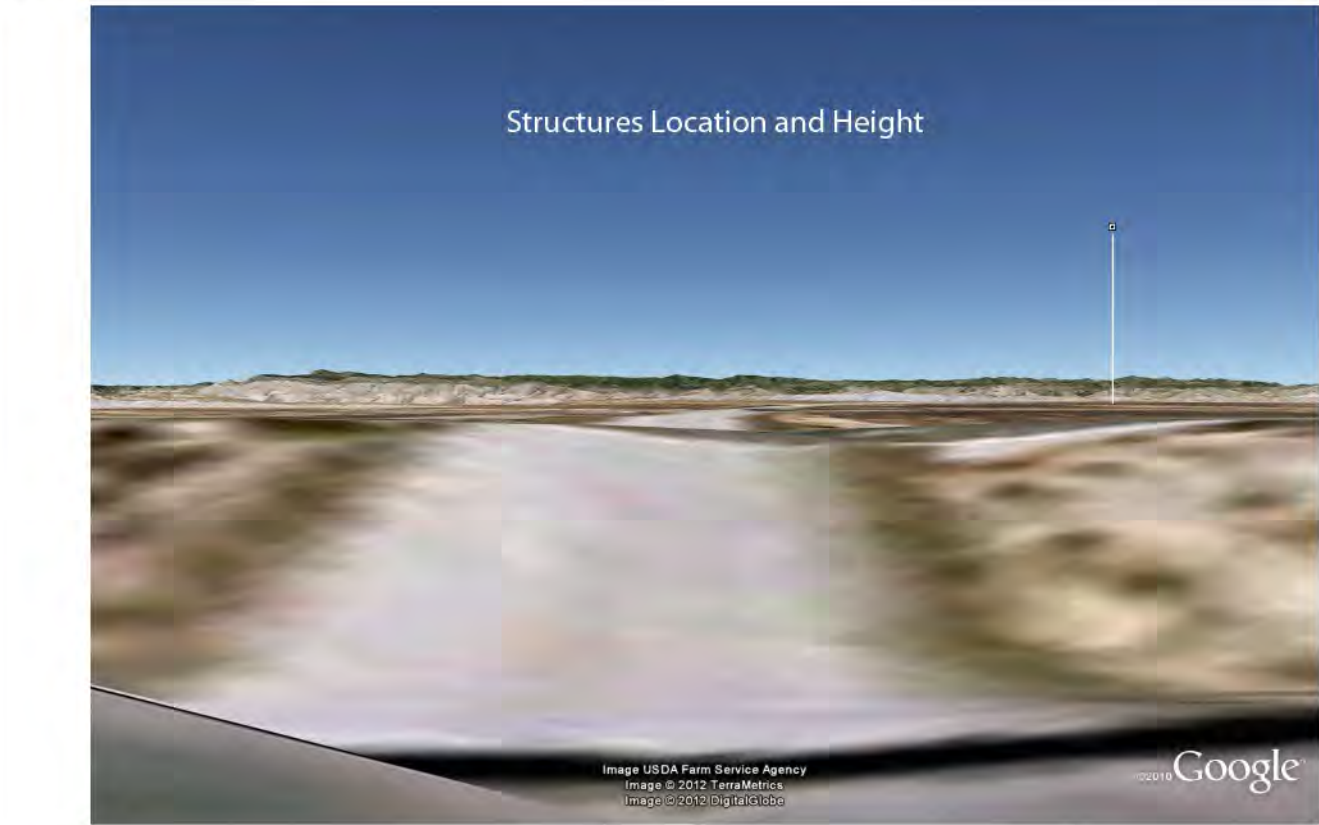
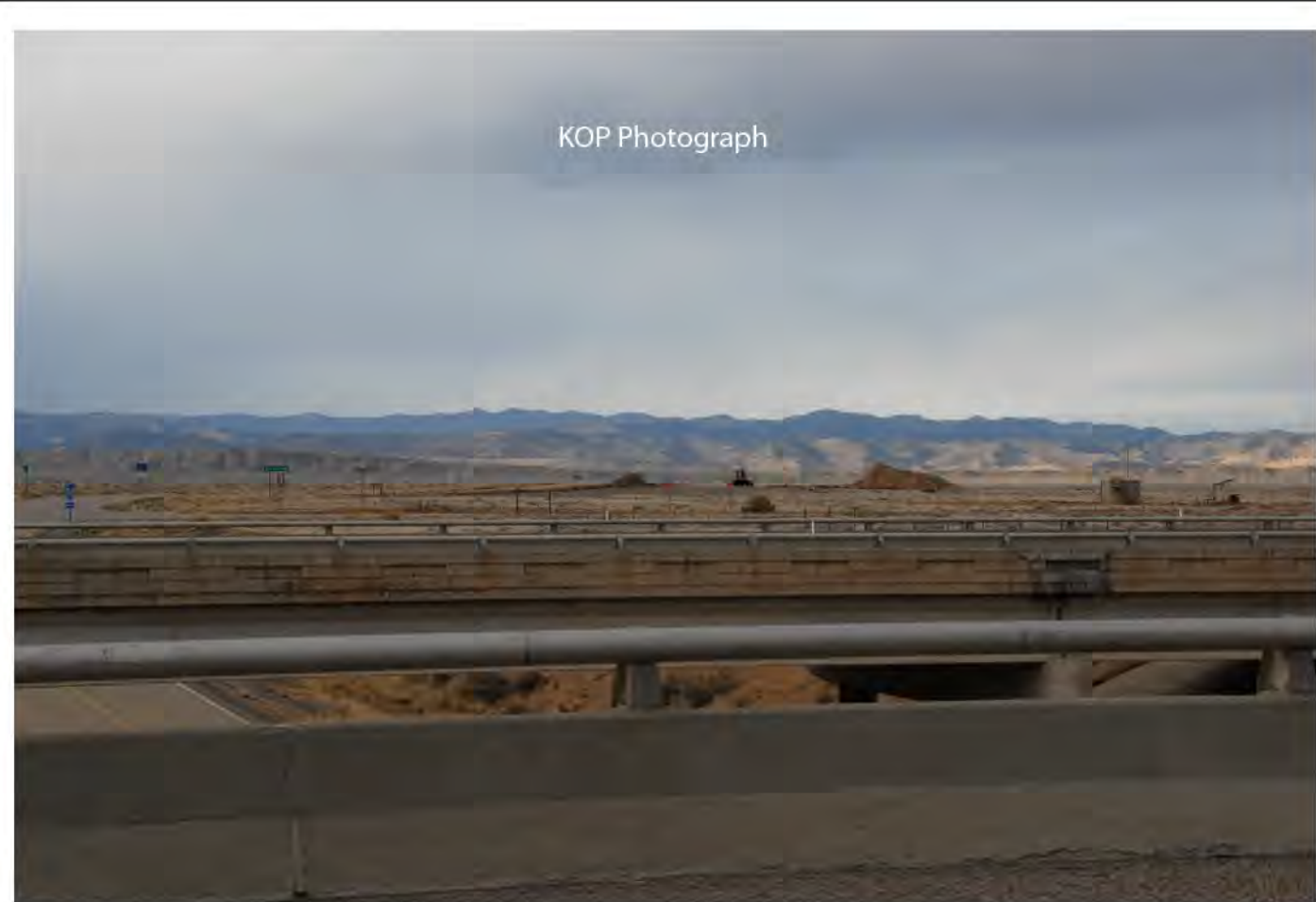
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KOP M-1
Simulated Condition
(Segment 220.1)





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District Moab FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
M-2

3. VRM Class
IV (VRM Class III)

4. Location I-70-
Dinosaur Diam. Inters.
Township 20S
Range 24E
Section 29

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Planar ridgeline. Irregular and rounded background mesas. Rolling valley ridges.	Scattered clumps of grasses and forbs.	Foreground paved roadway.
LINE	Horizontal ridgeline.	Irregular edges of shrubs and grasses.	Horizontal.
COLOR	Light to medium light to medium brown and grey rock and soil. Light grey water.	Light tan to medium greens and browns.	Light to medium grey.
TEXTURE	Smooth to coarse landforms.	Smooth, moderate and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM

☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)				
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	Line													X				
	Color													X				
	Texture														X			
														Evaluator's Names M. Paulson	Date 07/22/2011			

Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

Project Location

KOP Location

0 1,450 2,900 5,800 Feet

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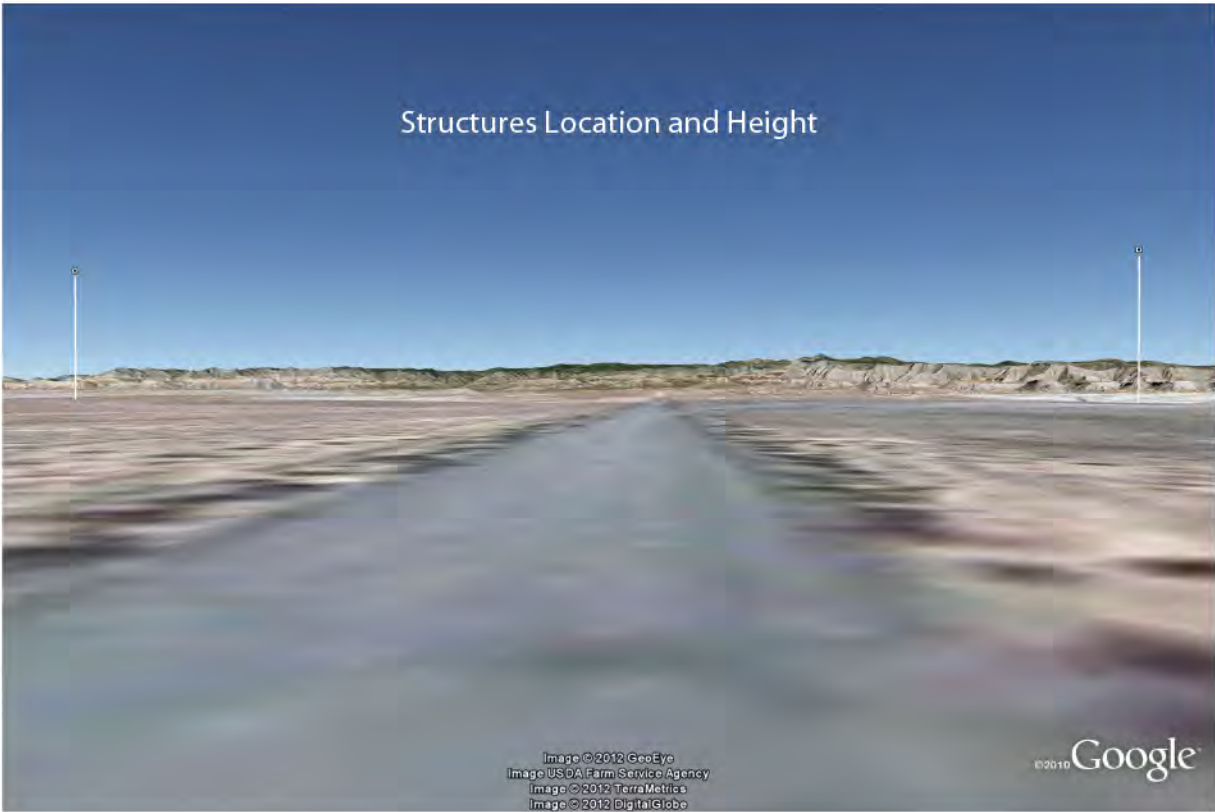
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KOP M-2
Interstate 70
Dinosaur Diamond Intersection
(Segment 220.1)

Bureau of Land Management
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KOP Photograph



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Date 07/26/2011

District Moab FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name TransWest Express	4. Location <u>Old Spanish Trail</u> Township <u>21S</u> Range <u>23E</u> Section <u>21</u>	5. Location Sketch Please see Figure 3.12-2
2. Key Observation Point M-4		
3. VRM Class III		

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Planar ridgeline. Irregular and rounded background mesas. Rolling valley ridges.	Scattered clumps of grasses and forbs.	Foreground paved roadway and parking area.
LINE	Horizontal ridgeline.	Irregular edges of shrubs and grasses.	Horizontal and curvilinear.
COLOR	Light to medium light to medium brown and grey rock and soil.	Light tan to medium greens and browns.	Light to medium reddish grey and brown.
TEXTURE	Smooth to coarse landforms.	Smooth, moderate and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING ☐ SHORT TERM ☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)					
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	Line										X				
	Color											X			
	Texture												X		

Rationale:
Where the Project would be located within 0.5 miles of the viewer and does not parallel an existing transmission line and/or where access roads and vegetation clearing would occur in moderate to steep terrain, it would have a strong contrast and would not comply with VRM Class III management objectives. Mitigation measures (VR-1 and VR-7) would reduce strong contrasts to moderate resulting in moderate to low residual impacts where the Project is located more than 0.5 miles away from viewer locations.

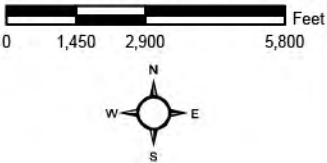
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Project Location



KOP Location



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KOP M-4
Old Spanish Trail
(Segment 220.1)





Project Location



KOP Location

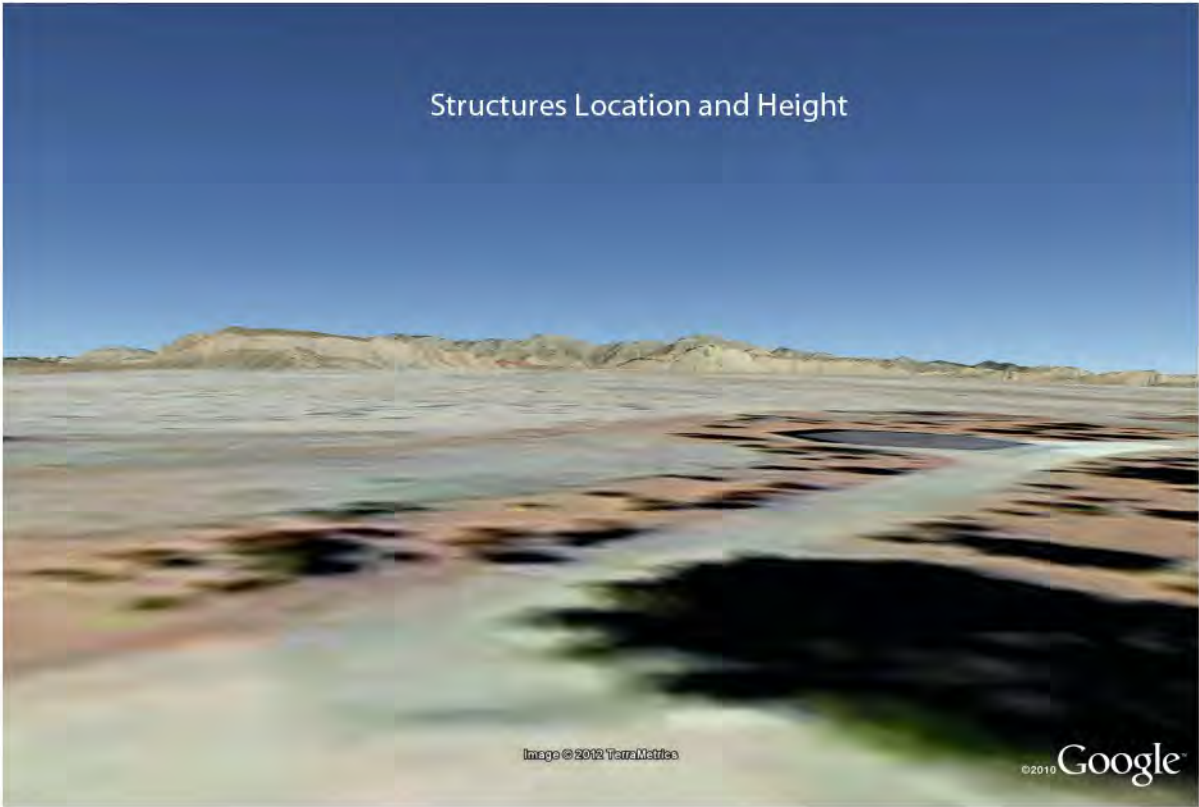
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KOP M-4
Simulated Condition
(Segment 220.1)





KOP Photograph



Structures Location and Height

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District Moab FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
M-7

3. VRM Class
IV (VRI Class III)

4. Location UDOT I-70
WB

Township 21S

Range 20E

Section 26

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

Irregular mesas, erosion patterns and conical form in foreground. Planar valley floor.

2. VEGETATION

LINE

Horizontal and irregular mesas, meandering edges of flat valley floor.

3. STRUCTURES

COLOR

Light to medium light to medium brown and grey rock and soil. Light grey water.

TEXTURE

Smooth to coarse landforms.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

2. VEGETATION

LINE

3. STRUCTURES

COLOR

Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.

TEXTURE

Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

SHORT TERM

LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST

LAND/WATER BODY (1)

VEGETATION (2)

STRUCTURES (3)

2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? Yes No (Explain on reverse side)

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended Yes No (Explain on reverse side)

Elements

Form

Line

Color

Texture

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

X

X

X

X

Evaluator's Names
M. Paulson

Date
01/04/13

Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

A map of the Moab area in Utah, showing the project location with a blue dot. The map includes labels for surrounding states: IDAHO, WYOMING, NEVADA, ARIZONA, and NEW MEXICO. A green line indicates the project route.

Project Location

A map showing the KOP location near Vista, Utah. The map includes a scale bar (0 to 9,000 feet) and a compass rose. A green line indicates the project route.

KOP Location

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TRANSMISSION PROJECT

KOP M-7
U.S. Dept of Transportation
I-70 (westbound)
(Segment 220.1)

The logo for the Bureau of Land Management, featuring a mountain, river, and tree.

The logo for the Western Area Power Administration, featuring a stylized mountain and the text "Western AREA POWER ADMINISTRATION".

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Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name TransWest Express	4. Location Sego Canyon Rd. SB Township 21S Range 20E Section 16	5. Location Sketch Please see Figure 3.12-2
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SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Irregular and rounded mesa. Rolling valley ridges.	Scattered clumps of grasses and forbs.	Foreground roadway.
LINE	Horizontal and irregular mesa, and edges of valley ridges and wash.	Irregular edges of shrubs and grasses.	Horizontal and curvilinear.
COLOR	Light to medium light to medium brown and grey rock and soil.	Light tan to medium and dark greens and browns.	Light to medium reddish brown.
TEXTURE	Smooth to coarse landforms.	Smooth, moderate and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING ☐ SHORT TERM ☒ LONG TERM

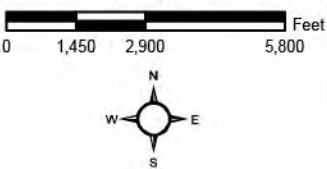
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	Line										X				
	Color										X				
	Texture											X			



Project Location



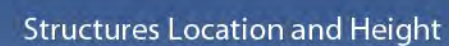
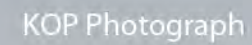
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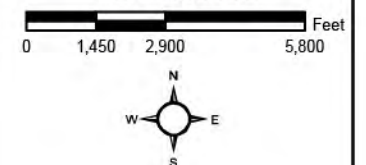
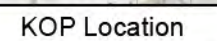
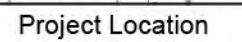
TRANSWEST EXPRESS
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KOP M-8
Sego Canyon Road
(southbound)
(Segment 220.1)





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KOP M-9
Sego Canyon Road
(northroad)
(Segment 220.1)

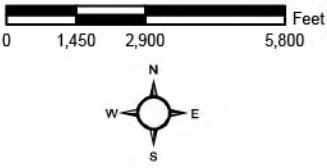




Project Location



KOP Location



**TRANSWEST EXPRESS
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KOP M-9
Simulated Condition
(Segment 220.1)

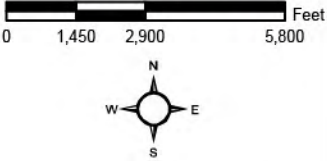




Project Location



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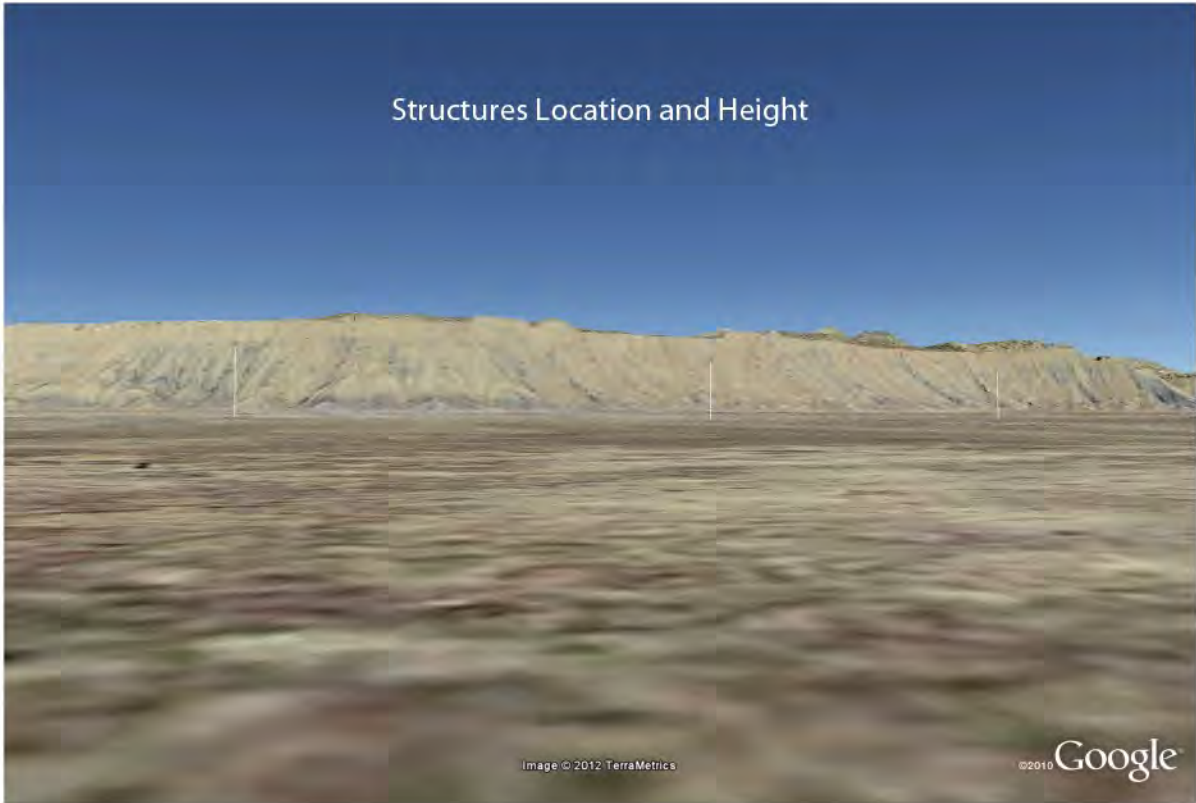
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TRANSMISSION PROJECT**

KOP M-9
Cumulative Condition
(Segment 220.1)





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Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
M-10

3. VRM Class
IV (VRI Class III)

4. Location Old Spanish
Trail (Road)
Township 21S
Range 19E
Section 26

5. Location
Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Irregular mesas and erosion patterns. Planar valley floor.	Scattered clumps of grasses and forbs.	Prominent linear railroad.
LINE	Horizontal and irregular mesas, and edges of flat valley floor.	Irregular edges of grasses.	Horizontal railroad and vertical poles.
COLOR	Light to medium light to medium brown and grey rock and soil.	Light tan to medium and dark brown.	Dark grey rail bed and medium brown poles.
TEXTURE	Smooth to coarse landforms.	Smooth, moderate and coarse.	Smooth.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)					3. Additional mitigating measures recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)
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Elements	Form												X		Evaluator's Names M. Paulson Date 01/04/13
	Line												X		
	Color													X	
	Texture													X	

Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

Project Location

KOP Location

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KOP M-10
Old Spanish Trail (Road)
(Segment 220.1)

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Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
M-11

3. VRM Class
IV

4. Location UDOT I-70
EB
Township 21S
Range 19E
Section 33

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Irregular mesas, erosion patterns and production pit form in foreground. Planar valley floor.	Scattered clumps of grasses and forbs.	Prominent cylindrical oil facility tanks and railroad bed in foreground. Cylindrical electrical poles in midground.
LINE	Horizontal and irregular mesas, meandering edges of flat valley floor.	Irregular edges of grasses.	Horizontal and vertical tanks, railroad and poles.
COLOR	Light to medium light to medium brown and grey rock and soil.	Light tan to medium and dark brown.	Medium olive green tanks, dark brown rail bed and medium brown poles.
TEXTURE	Smooth to coarse landforms.	Smooth, moderate and coarse.	Smooth.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)			
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	Texture												X				

Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.



Project Location



KOP Location

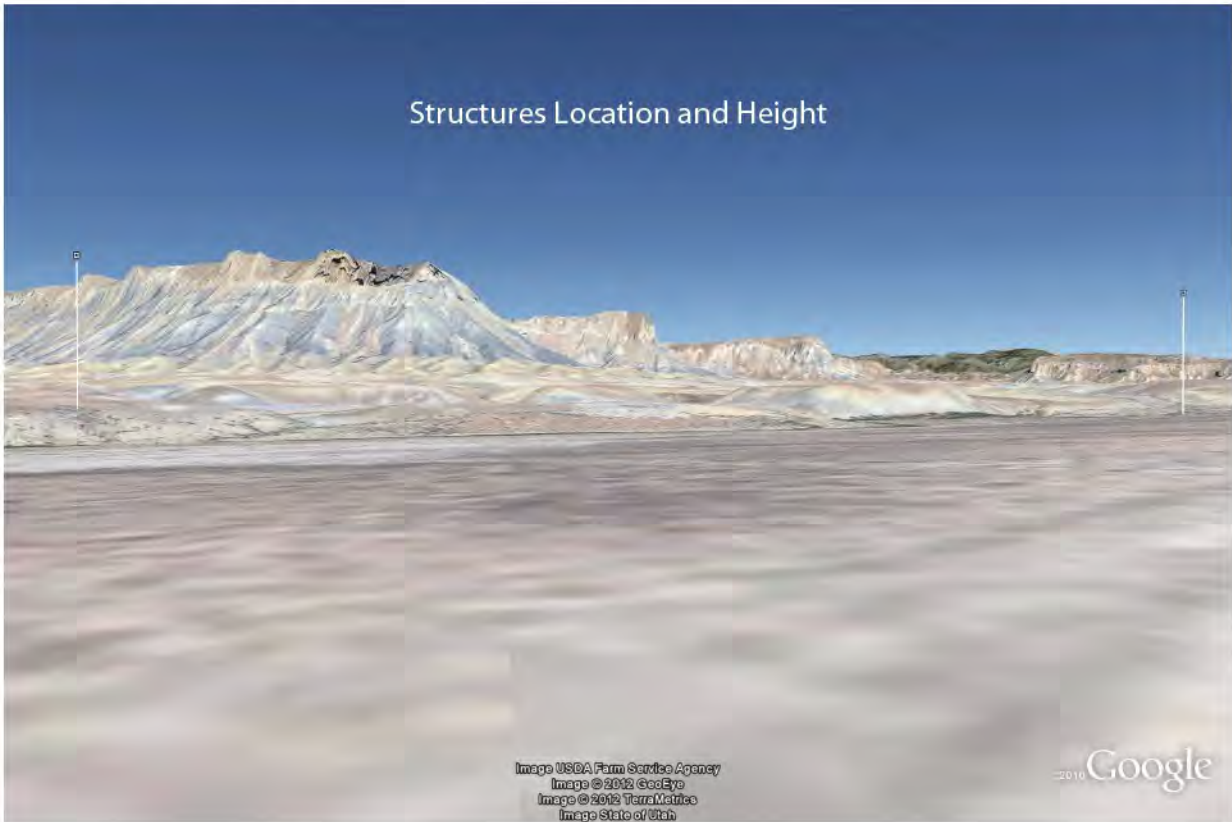
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KOP M-11
U.S. Dept. of Transportation
I-70 (eastbound)
(Segment 220.1)





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Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name TransWest Express	4. Location Floy Wash Rd. SB Township 22S Range 18E Section 4	5. Location Sketch Please see Figure 3.12-2
2. Key Observation Point M-12		
3. VRM Class IV (VRI Class III)		

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Irregular horizontal topography.	Scattered clumps of shrubs and grasses.	Prominent planar road.
LINE	Horizontal and irregular shapes.	Irregular shrubs and grasses.	Horizontal road.
COLOR	Light to medium light to medium brown and grey rock and soil.	Light to medium green and brown shrubs and grasses.	Light to medium brown roadways.
TEXTURE	Smooth to medium landforms.	Smooth, moderate and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING ☐ SHORT TERM ☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	
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Elements	Form									X					
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Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

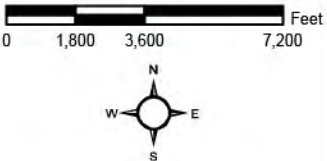
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Project Location



KOP Location



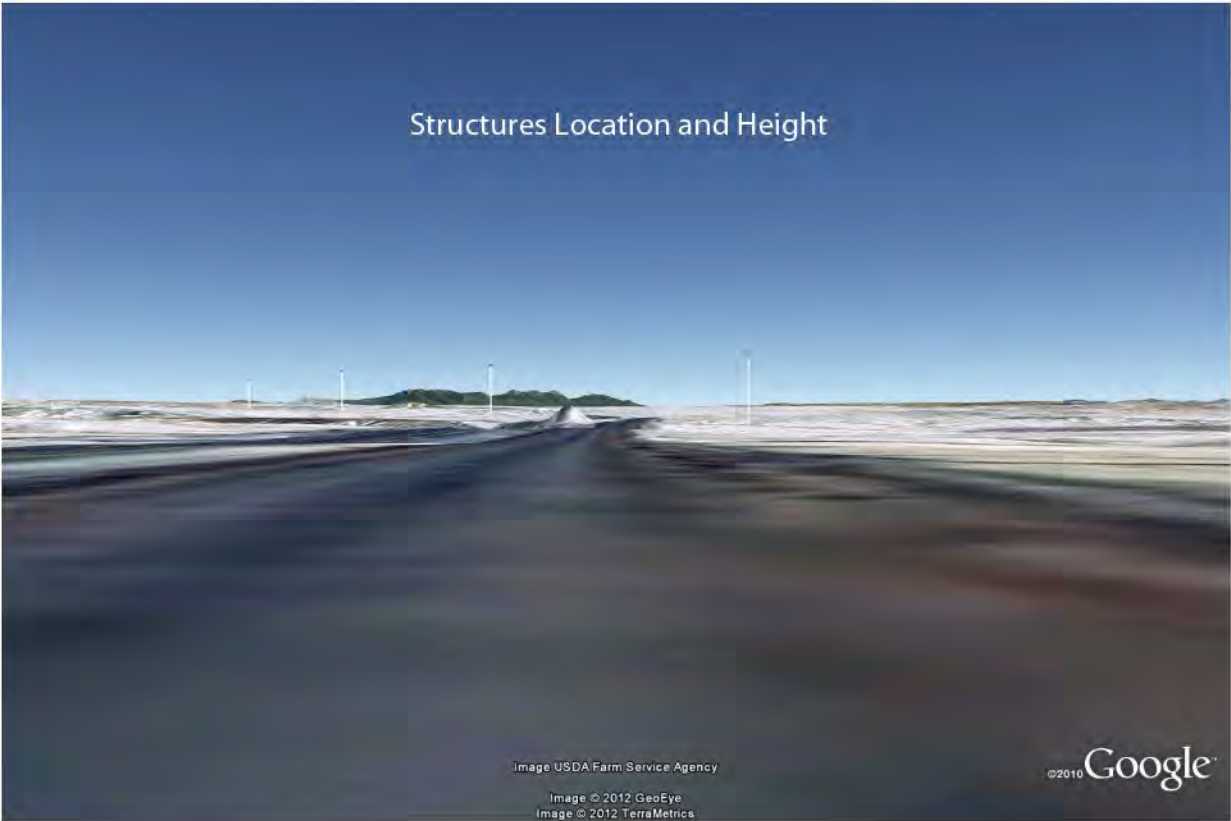
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TRANSMISSION PROJECT

KOP M-12
Floy Wash Road
(southbound)
(Segment 220.1)





KOP Photograph



Structures Location and Height

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Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
M-13

3. VRM Class
IV (VRI Class III)

4. Location I-70 EB

Township 21S

Range 17E

Section 33

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Irregular horizontal topography.	Scattered clumps of shrubs and grasses.	Prominent planar road lanes.
LINE	Horizontal and irregular shapes.	Irregular shrubs and grasses.	Horizontal roadways.
COLOR	Light to medium light to medium brown and grey rock and soil.	Light to medium green and brown shrubs and grasses.	Light to medium grey roadways.
TEXTURE	Smooth to medium landforms.	Smooth, moderate and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)		
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)						
		Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None			
Elements	Form												X			3. Additional mitigating measures recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)
	Line												X			
	Color												X			
	Texture													X		
														Evaluator's Names M. Paulson	Date 07/22/2011	

Rationale:

The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

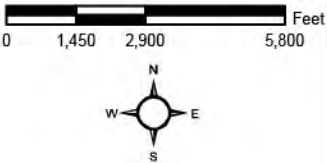
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Project Location



KOP Location



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(Segment 220.1)





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Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
M-15

3. VRM Class
III (VRI Class II)

4. Location Green Rv.
Crystal Geyser Recr.Ar.
Township 21S
Range 16E
Section 34

5. Location
Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM
Irregular mesas, erosion patterns and production pit form in foreground. Planar river surface and geyser area.

LINE
Horizontal and irregular mesas, meandering edges of river valley floor.

COLOR
Bluish grey water surface. Light to medium light to medium reddish brown and grey rock and soil.

TEX-
TURE
Smooth water to coarse landforms.

2. VEGETATION

Amorphous riparian trees and shrubs. Scattered clumps of shrubs, grasses and forbs.

Irregular edges of riparian trees, shrubs, grasses.

Light to medium to dark olive green trees, shrubs, and grasses.

Smooth, moderate and coarse.

3. STRUCTURES

Planar roadway.

Curvilinear roadway.

Light to medium tan to grey roadway.

Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

LINE

COLOR

TEX-
TURE

2. VEGETATION

3. STRUCTURES

Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.

Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.

Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.

Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM

☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF
CONTRAST

LAND/WATER
BODY
(1)

VEGETATION
(2)

STRUCTURES
(3)

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? ☐ Yes ☒ No (Explain on reverse side)

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended ☐ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

Elements

Form

Line

Color

Texture

X

X

X

X

Evaluator's Names
M. Paulson

Date
07/28/2011

Rationale:
Where the Project would be located within 0.5 miles of the viewer and does not parallel an existing transmission line and/or where access roads and vegetation clearing would occur in moderate to steep terrain, it would have a strong contrast and would not comply with VRM Class III management objectives. Mitigation measures (VR-1 and VR-7) would reduce strong contrasts to moderate resulting in moderate to low residual impacts where the Project is located more than 0.5 miles away from viewer locations.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

Project Location

KOP Location

0 1,400 2,800 5,600 Feet

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KOP M-15
Green River/Crystal Geyser
Recreation Area
(Segment 220.1)

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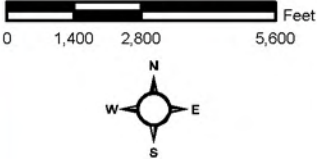
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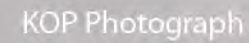
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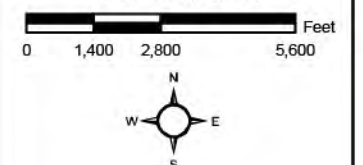
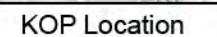
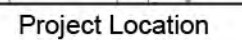
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Simulated Condition
(Segment 220.1)





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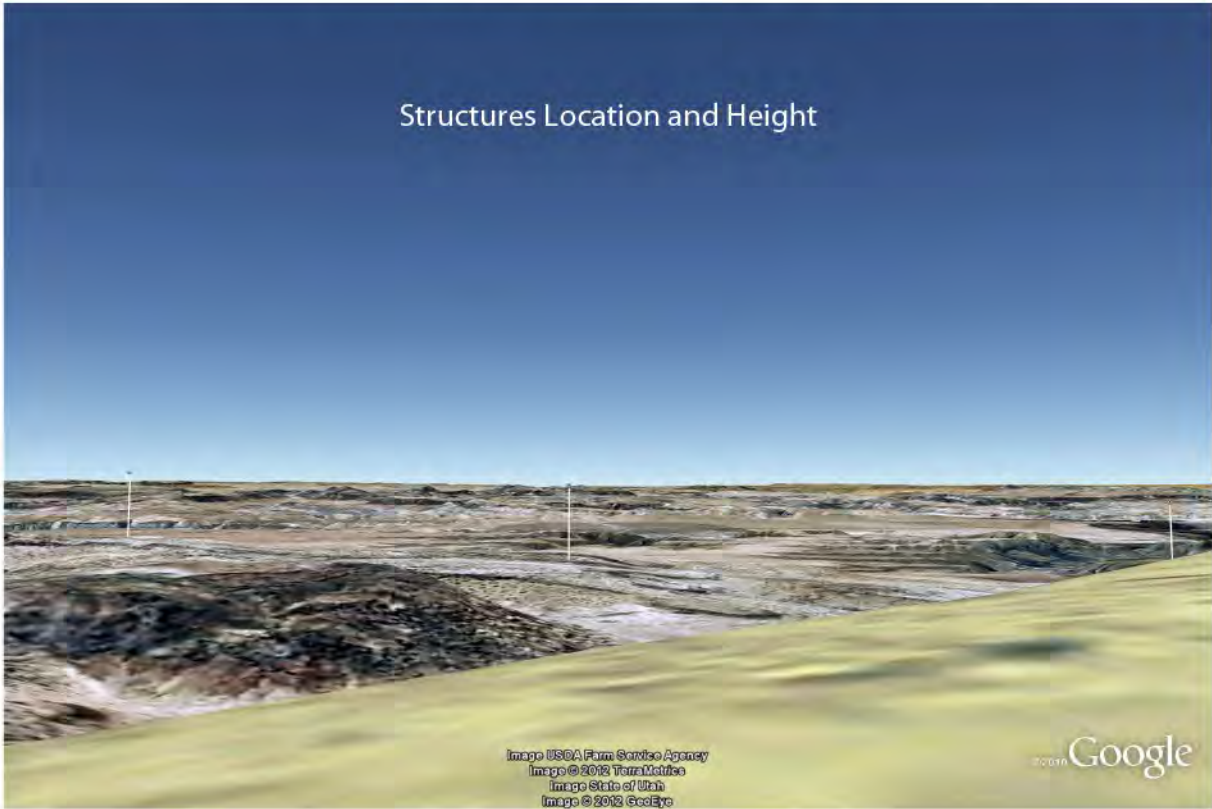
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KOP P-1
Green River
(Segment 220.1)





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Date 07/25/2011

District Price FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name TransWest Express	4. Location <u>Green River</u> <u>Overlook</u> Township <u>21S</u> Range <u>16E</u> Section <u>33</u>	5. Location Sketch Please see Figure 3.12-2
2. Key Observation Point P-2		
3. VRM Class IV(VRM Class III)		

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Irregular mesas and river. Planar valley floor.	Scattered clumps of shrubs. Organic surfaces of riparian in background.	Planar 345-kV poles and crossarms.
LINE	Horizontal and irregular mesas, meandering edges of flat valley floor.	Irregular and curvilinear riparian. Indistinct shrubs.	Vertical structures, arced conductors.
COLOR	Light to medium light to medium brown and grey rock and soil. Light grey water.	Light to medium olive green trees and shrubs.	Medium brown poles.
TEXTURE	Smooth water to coarse landforms.	Smooth, moderate and coarse.	Smooth.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING ☐ SHORT TERM ☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)					
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Elements	Form										X				
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	Texture											X			

Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

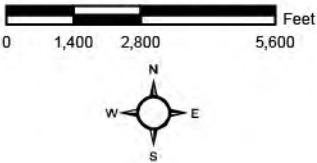
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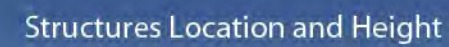
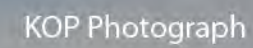
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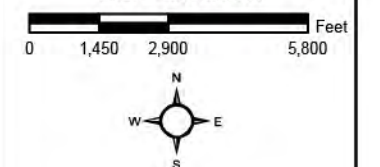
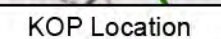
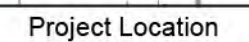
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Green River Overlook
(Segment 220.1)





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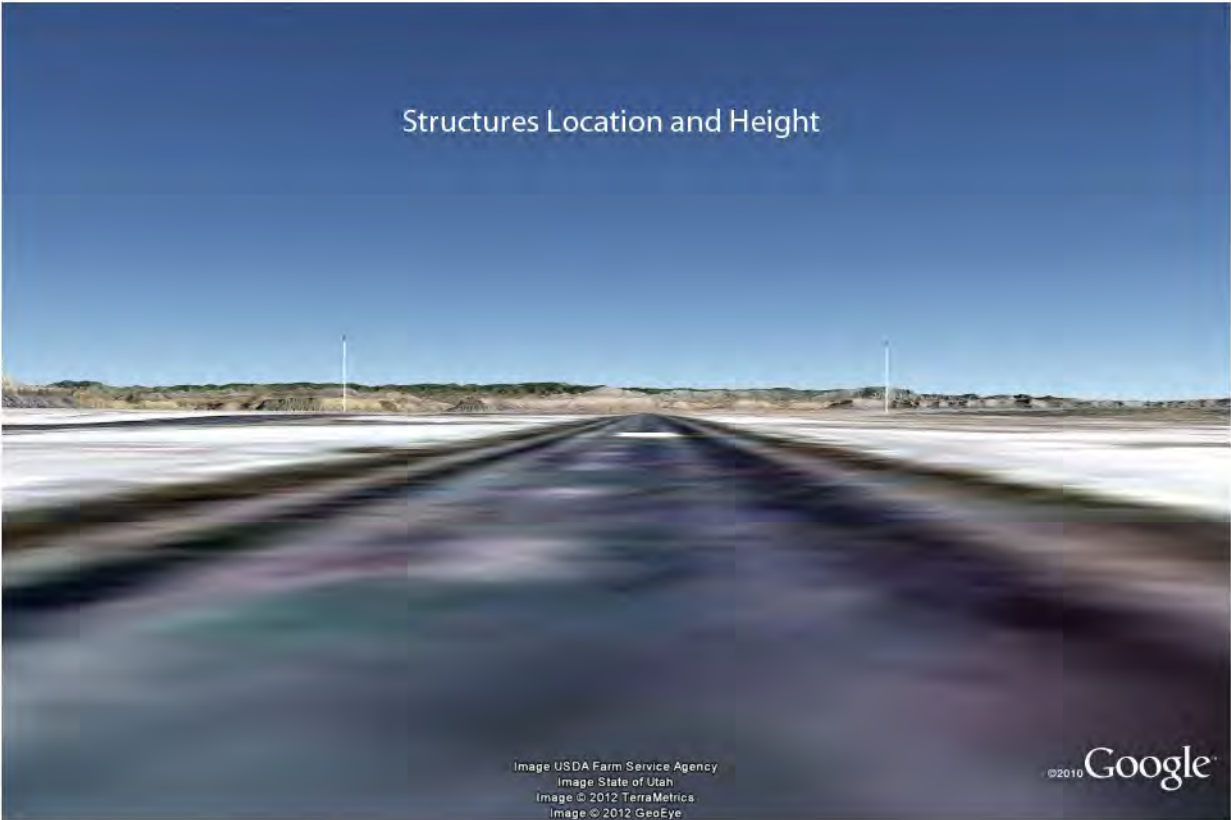
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KOP P-3
Interstate 70
(westbound)
(Segment 220.1)





KOP Photograph



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Date 07/25/2011

District Price FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name TransWest Express	4. Location I-70 EB Township 21S Range 15E Section 21	5. Location Sketch Please see Figure 3.12-2
2. Key Observation Point P-4		
3. VRM Class III (VRM Class III)		

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Irregular horizontal mesas and planar valley floor.	Scattered clumps of shrubs and grasses.	Prominent planar roadways.
LINE	Horizontal and irregular mesas, horizontal valley floor.	Irregular shrubs and grasses.	Horizontal roadways.
COLOR	Light to medium light to medium brown and grey rock and soil.	Light to medium brown shrubs and grasses.	Light to medium grey roadways.
TEXTURE	Smooth to medium landforms.	Smooth, moderate and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING ☐ SHORT TERM ☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)					
		Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None		
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Elements	Form										X			Evaluator's Names	Date
	Line										X			M. Paulson	07/22/2011
	Color										X				
	Texture												X		

Rationale:
Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would comply with VRM Class III management objects. Contrasts in these situations would be moderate or weak. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

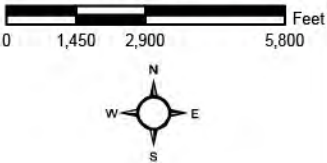
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Project Location



KOP Location



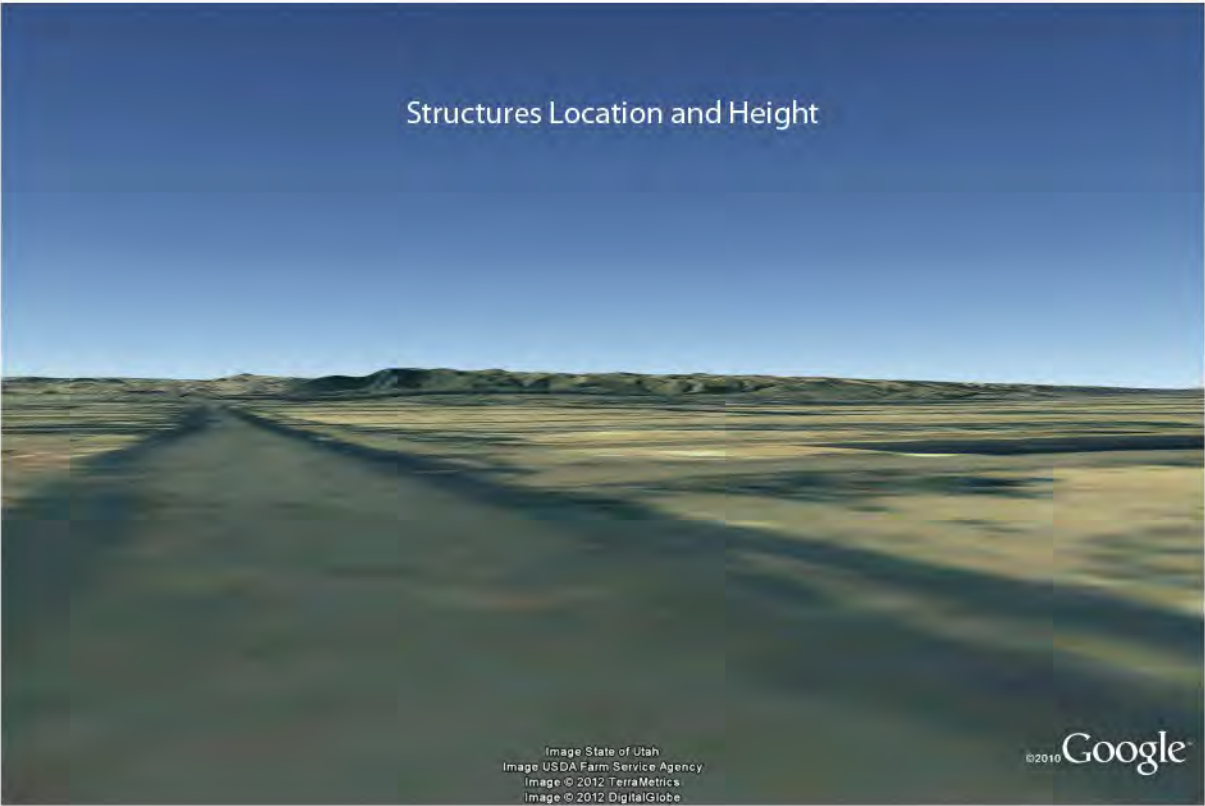
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KOP P-4
Interstate 70
(eastbound)
(Segment 220.1)





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Date 07/28/2011

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Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
P-5

3. VRM Class
IV

4. Location Green River
Park
Township 21S
Range 16E
Section 9

5. Location
Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM
Horizontal planar valley floor. Irregular mesas.

LINE
Irregular skyline.

COLOR
Light to medium light to medium brown and grey soils.

TEX-
TURE
Smooth to moderate landforms.

2. VEGETATION

Organic clumps of residential trees, shrubs and grasses.

Curvilinear tree edges. Rectilinear edges of roadside grasses.

Dark olive green trees. Light silver gray green shrubs. Tan to green grasses.

Coarse trees and field grasses.

3. STRUCTURES

Planar towers. Spherical cell tower. Cylindrical poles. Cubed residential structures.

Vertical power poles. Horizontal and vertical structures.

Multiple structures. Dark brown poles. Brown poles

Smooth to medium structures and poles.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

LINE

COLOR

TEX-
TURE

2. VEGETATION

FORM

LINE

COLOR

TEX-
TURE

3. STRUCTURES

Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.

Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.

Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.

Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

DEGREE OF CONTRAST

LAND/WATER BODY (1)

VEGETATION (2)

STRUCTURES (3)

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Form

Line

Color

Texture

2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? ☒ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended ☐ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

Evaluator's Names
M. Paulson

Date
07/22/2011

Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

Project Location

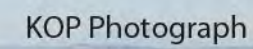
KOP Location

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KOP P-5
Green River Park
(Segment 220.1)

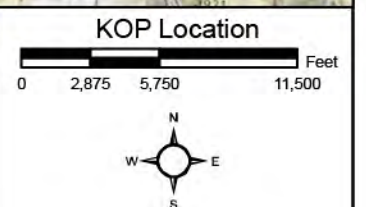
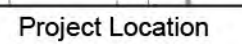
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Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

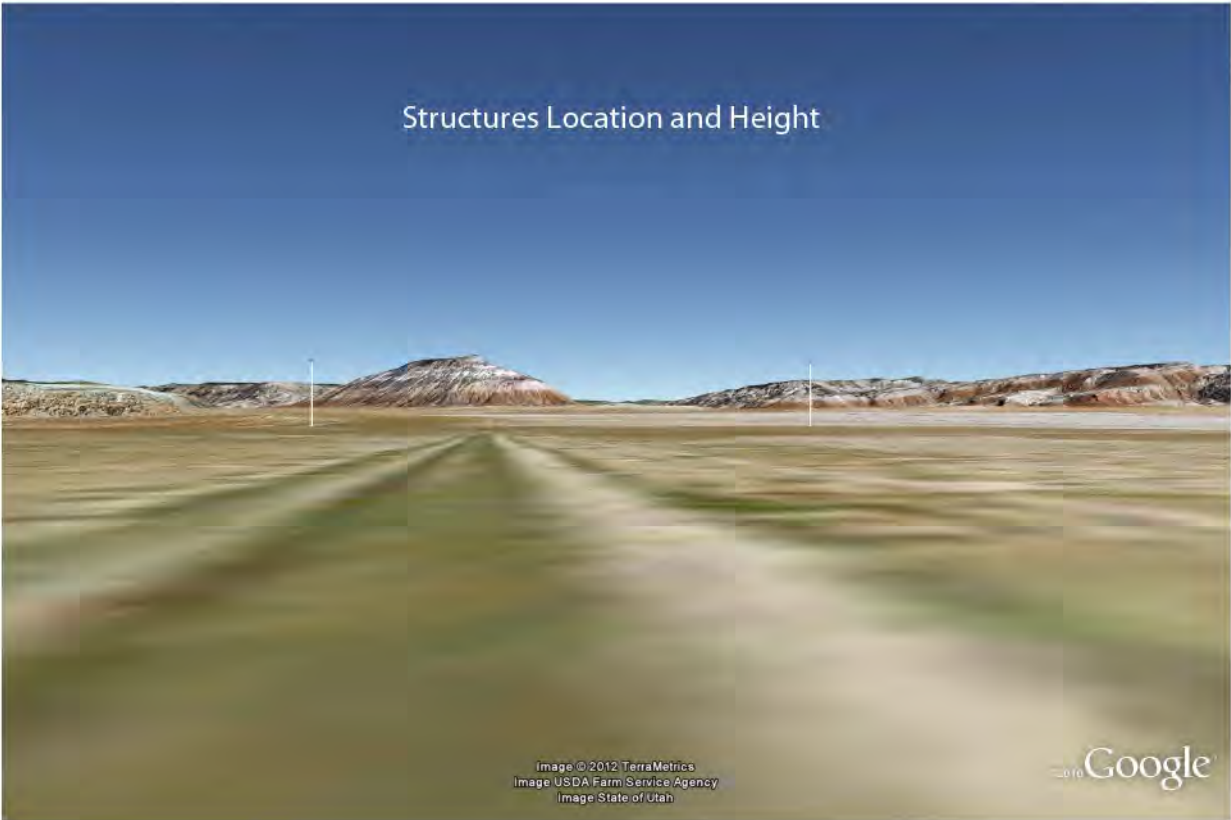


KOP P-7
Cedar Mountain
Scenic Overlook
(Segment 225.2)





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Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
P-9

3. VRM Class
III (VRI Class III)

4. Location Wedge
Overlook Scenic Bkway
Township 19S
Range 10E
Section 22

5. Location
Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

Prominent mesas. Planar valley floor.

2. VEGETATION

FORM

Organic clumps and surfaces of shrubs and grasses.

3. STRUCTURES

FORM

Planar roadway. Cubed structures.

LINE

Horizontal and irregular mesas, wide flat valley floor.

LINE

Irregular edges of shrubs and grasses.

LINE

Horizontal and curvilinear roadway. Horizontal and vertical structures.

COLOR

Light to medium light to medium brown rock and soil.

COLOR

Light to medium olive green shrubs. Light tan to green grasses..

COLOR

Light to medium brown roadway. White structures.

TEX-
TURE

Smooth to coarse landforms.

TEX-
TURE

Smooth, moderate and coarse.

TEX-
TURE

Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

2. VEGETATION

FORM

3. STRUCTURES

FORM

Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.

LINE

LINE

LINE

Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.

COLOR

COLOR

COLOR

Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.

TEX-
TURE

TEX-
TURE

TEX-
TURE

Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

SHORT TERM

LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST

LAND/WATER BODY (1)

VEGETATION (2)

STRUCTURES (3)

2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? ☒ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended ☐ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

Elements

Form

Line

Color

Texture

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Evaluator's Names
M. Paulson

Date
07/25/2011

Rationale:
Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would comply with VRM Class III management objects. Contrasts in these situations would be moderate or weak. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

Project Location

KOP Location

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KOP P-9
Wedge Overlook
Scenic Backway
(Segment 225.2)

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KOP Photograph



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Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
P-10

3. VRM Class
III

4. Location Buckhorn
Drive Backway
Township 18S
Range 8E
Section 36

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Horizontal and irregular planar ridges.	Organic clumps and surfaces of shrubs and grasses. Rounded riparian, non-juniper in the midground.	Cylindrical poles.
LINE	Horizontal and irregular mesa skyline, angular side slopes and wide flat valley floor.	Irregular edges of riparian, shrubs and grasses.	Vertical.
COLOR	Light to medium light to medium brown rock and soil.	Light to medium to dark olive green riparian and shrubs. Light tan to green grasses..	Dark brown poles.
TEX-TURE	Smooth to coarse landforms.	Smooth, moderate and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX-TURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)		
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)						
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	Line												X			
	Color													X		
	Texture														X	

Evaluator's Names
M. Paulson

Date
07/25/2011

Rationale:
Where the Project would be located within 0.5 miles of the viewer and does not parallel an existing transmission line and/or where access roads and vegetation clearing would occur in moderate to steep terrain, it would have a strong contrast and would not comply with VRM Class III management objectives. Mitigation measures (VR-1 and VR-7) would reduce strong contrasts to moderate resulting in moderate to low residual impacts where the Project is located more than 0.5 miles away from viewer locations.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

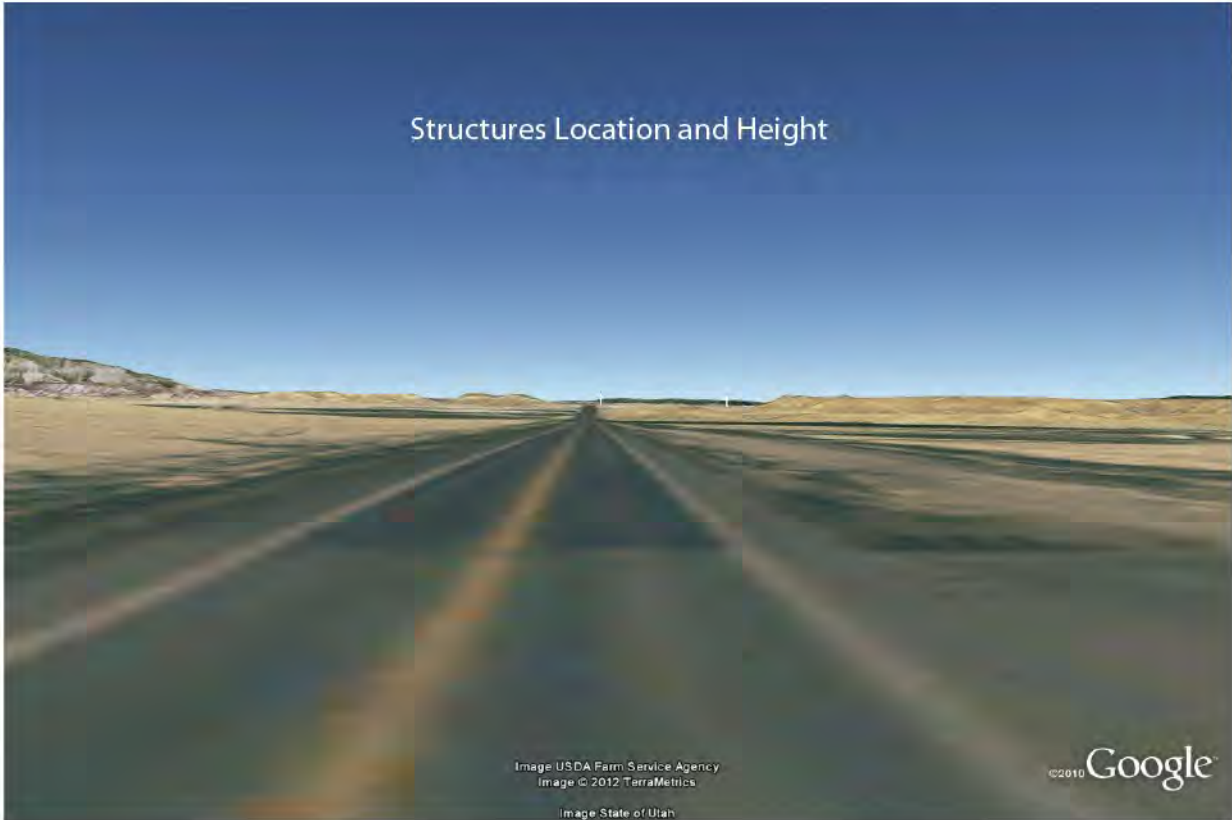
Project Location

KOP Location

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KOP P-10
Buckhorn Drive Backway
(Segment 330.1)



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Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
P-12

3. VRM Class
IV

4. Location Utah SH 10-
NB
Township 18S
Range 8E
Section 13

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Horizontal planar valley floor.	Organic clumps of residential trees, shrubs and grasses.	Planar twin steel lattice towers. Cylindrical poles. Cubed residential structures.
LINE	Horizontal skyline.	Curvilinear tree edges. Rectilinear edges of roadside grasses.	Vertical power poles. Horizontal and vertical structures.
COLOR	Light to medium light to medium brown soil.	Dark olive green trees. Light silver gray green shrubs. Golden tan to green grasses.	Medium grey structures. Dark brown poles. Brown structures.
TEXTURE	Smooth landforms.	Coarse trees and field grasses.	Smooth to medium structures and poles.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)			
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)							
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Elements	Form										X			3. Additional mitigating measures recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)			
	Line										X						
	Color										X						
	Texture											X					
														Evaluator's Names M. Paulson			
														Date 07/22/2011			

Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

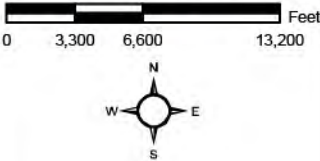
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Project Location



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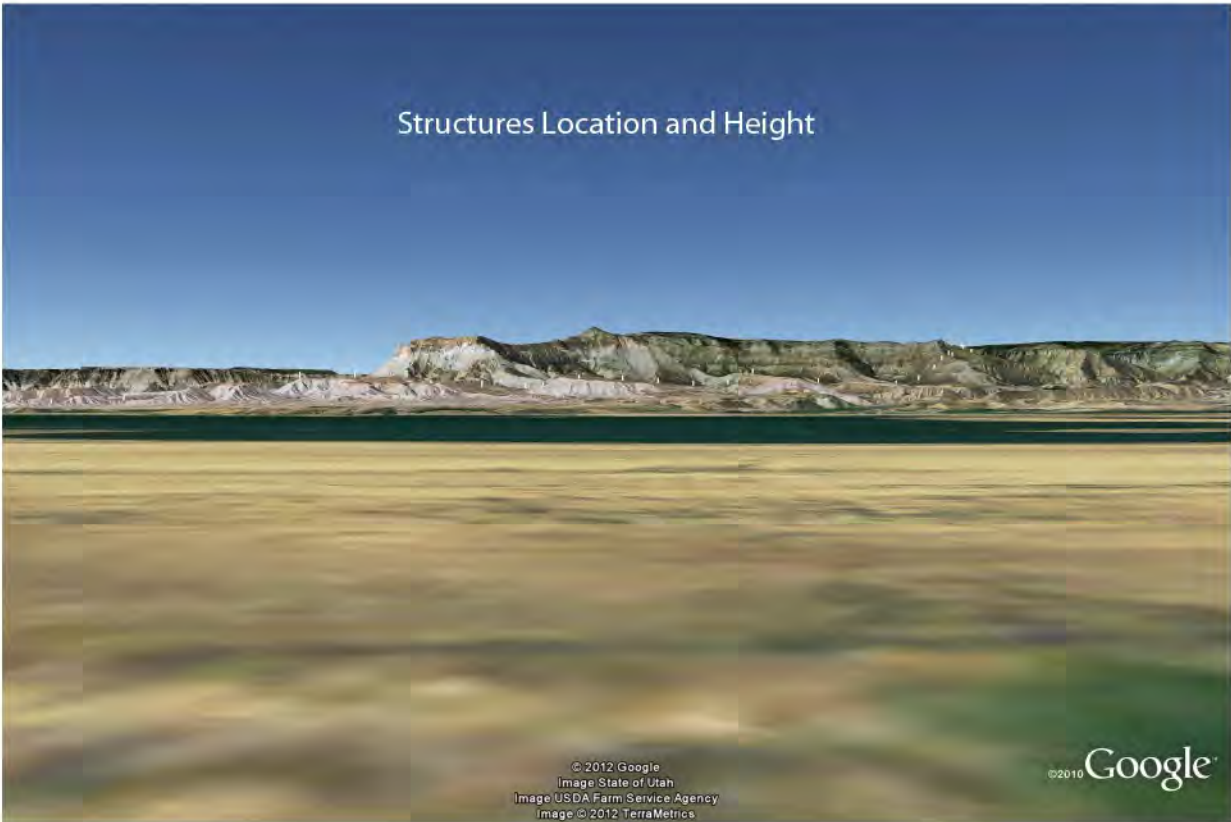
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KOP P-12
Utah State Hwy 10
(northbound)
(Segment 270)





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Date 07/24/2011

District Price FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
P-13

3. VRM Class
III

4. Location Huntington
State Park
Township 17S
Range 9E
Section 17

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Angular mountain mesas. Inclined planar side slopes. Rolling valley floor.	Organic clumps and surfaces of pinon-juniper forest.	Cubed residential structures beyond the reservoir.
LINE	Angular mountain skyline, banded eroded side slopes.	Irregular edges of forest cover and foreground trees and shrubs.	Horizontal and vertical edges of structures.
COLOR	Light to medium light to medium brown rock and soil.	Medium to dark olive green forest.	Light to medium browns and white of structures.
TEXTURE	Smooth landforms, coarse geology.	Medium pinon-juniper forest.	Smooth structures.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING ☐ SHORT TERM ☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)			
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)							
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Elements	Form											X		Evaluator's Names M. Paulson Date 07/22/2011			
	Line											X					
	Color											X					
	Texture												X				

Rationale:
Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would comply with VRM Class III management objects. Contrasts in these situations would be moderate or weak. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

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Project Location

KOP Location

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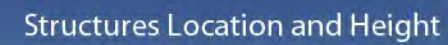
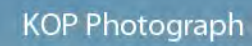
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KOP P-13
Huntington State Park
(Segments 270, 310)

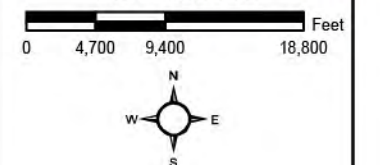
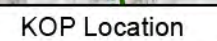
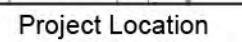
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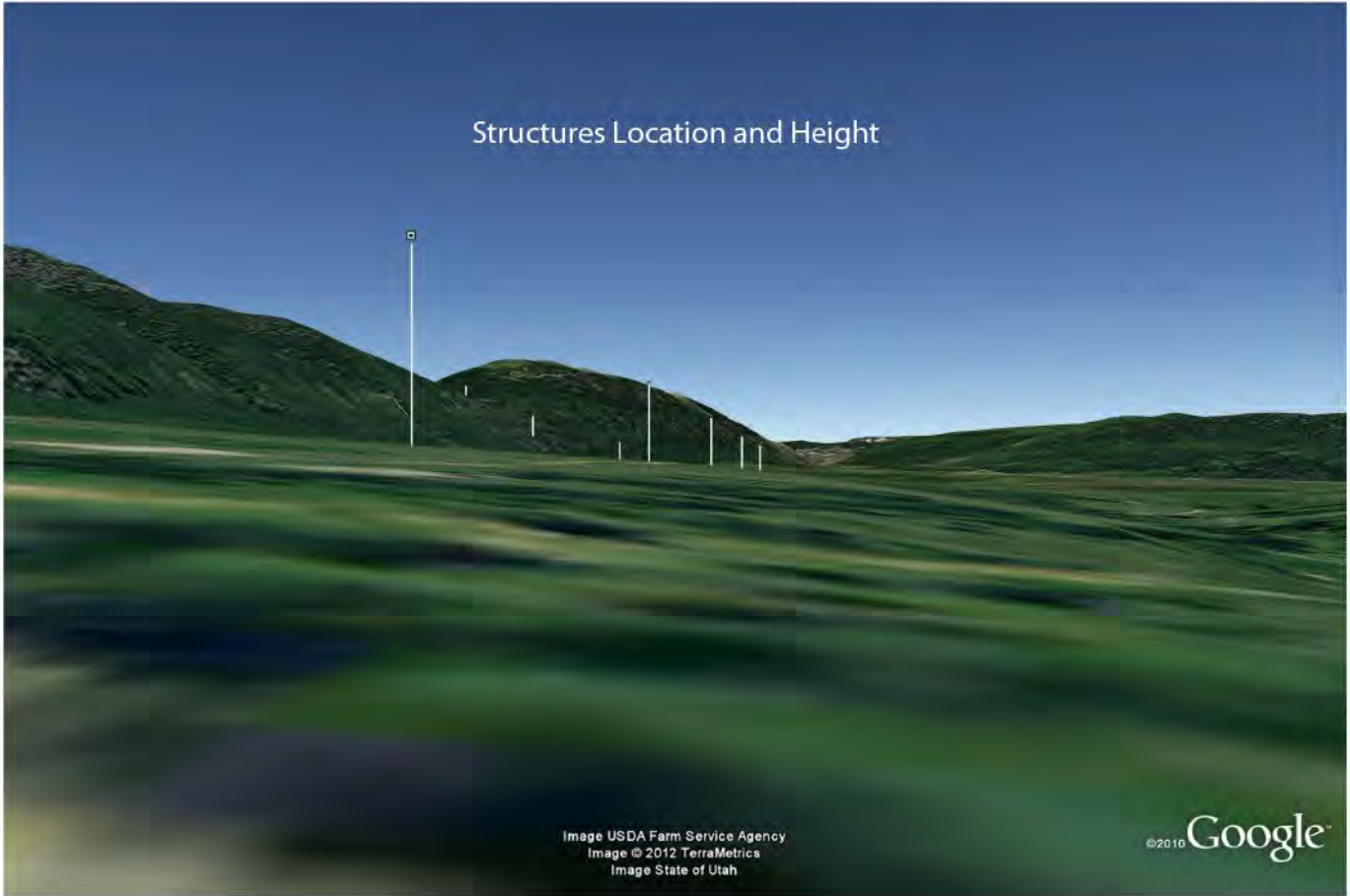
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KOP P-14
Utah State Hwy 31
Huntington
(Segments 270, 310)





KOP Photograph



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VISUAL CONTRAST RATING WORKSHEET

Date 07/24/2011

District Price FO – Manti-LaSal NF

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
P-16

3. VRM Class
USFS VQO Partial Retention

4. Location Indian Cr.
Campground

Township 16S

Range 6E

Section 10

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

LINE

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Angular mountain ridges – v-shaped narrow valley. Inclined planar side slopes.

Angular mountain skyline, angular side slopes and inclined valley floor.

Light to medium light to medium brown rock and soil.

Smooth landforms.

2. VEGETATION

Organic clumps and surfaces of aspen and spruce forest.

Toothed skyline edges of forest.

Light to medium to dark olive green forest. Light bluish-silvery sagebrush. Purplish blue lupine.

Coarse deciduous and coniferous forest.

3. STRUCTURES

Strongly cylindrical wood poles and planar conductors.

Vertical and horizontal wood pole and crossarm elements and arced conductors.

Medium to dark brown poles and light silver-grey conductors.

NA

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

LINE

COLOR

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2. VEGETATION

Planar ROW clearing.

Horizontal ROW clearing.

Light greens and tans ROW clearing.

Smooth ROW clearing.

3. STRUCTURES

Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.

Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.

Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.

Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

DEGREE OF CONTRAST

Elements

Form

Line

Color

Texture

LAND/WATER BODY (1)

VEGETATION (2)

STRUCTURES (3)

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

X

X

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2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? ☒ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended ☐ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

Evaluator's Names
M. Paulson

Date
07/22/2011

Rationale:
Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would be consistent with Moderate SIO or Partial Retention VQO management objectives. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

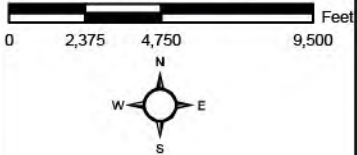
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Project Location



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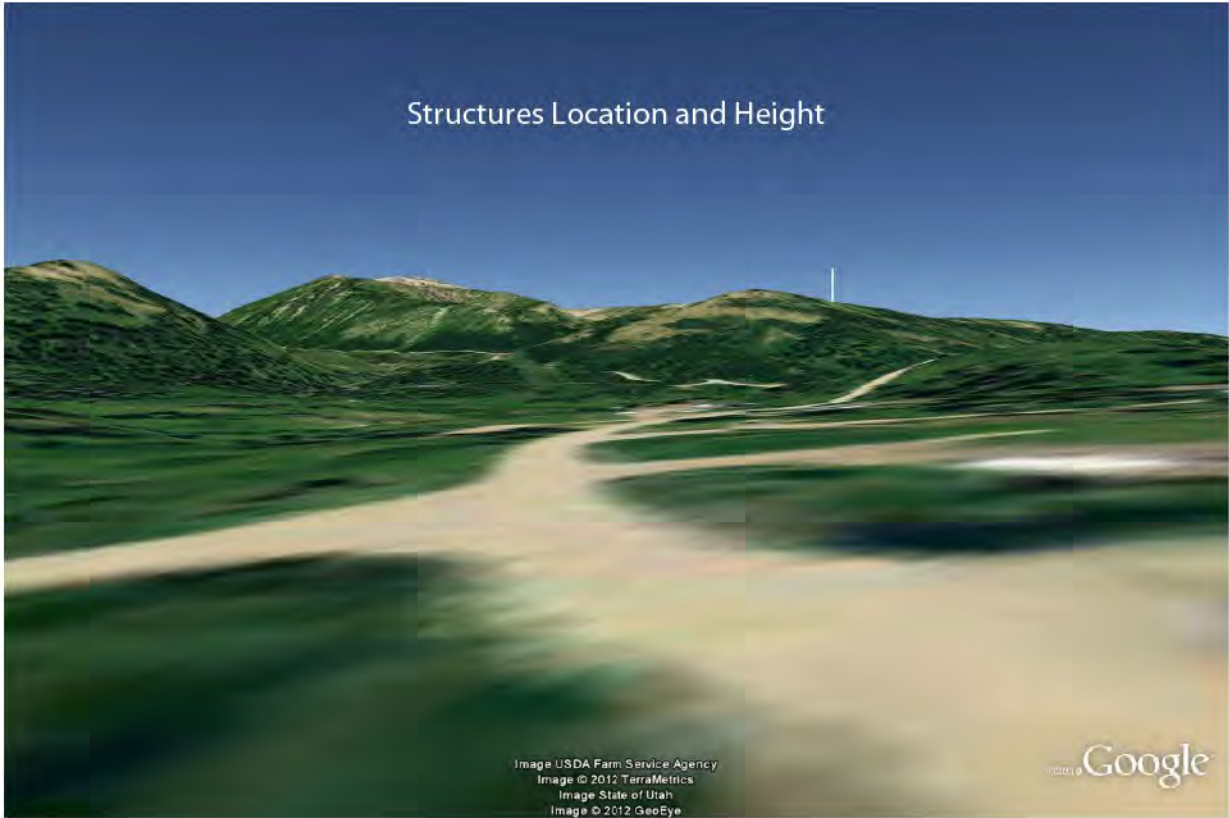
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KOP P-16
Indian Creek Campground
(Segment 310)





KOP Photograph



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Visual Contrast Rating Worksheet

Date 07/24/2011

District Manti-LaSal NF

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
P-17

3. VRM Class
USFS VQO Modification

4. Location Potters
Ponds Campground
Township 16S
Range 6E
Section 8

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

Angular mountain ridges. Inclined planar side slopes.

LINE

Angular mountain skyline, angular side slopes and inclined valley floor.

COLOR

Light to medium light to medium brown rock and soil.

TEXTURE

Smooth landforms.

2. VEGETATION

FORM

Organic clumps and surfaces of aspen, spruce and fir forest.

LINE

Toothed skyline edges of forest.

COLOR

Light to medium to dark olive green forest. Light green and yellow cinquefoil.

TEXTURE

Coarse deciduous and coniferous forest.

3. STRUCTURES

FORM

Cubed and cylindrical campground structures. Planar roadways.

LINE

Vertical and horizontal campground structures and roadways.

COLOR

Light tans to medium brown structures and roadways.

TEXTURE

Smooth.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

LINE

COLOR

TEXTURE

2. VEGETATION

FORM

Planar ROW clearing.

LINE

Horizontal ROW clearing.

COLOR

Light greens and tans ROW clearing.

TEXTURE

Smooth ROW clearing.

3. STRUCTURES

FORM

Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.

LINE

Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.

COLOR

Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.

TEXTURE

Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

DEGREE OF CONTRAST

Form

Line

Color

Texture

LAND/WATER BODY (1)

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

VEGETATION (2)

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

STRUCTURES (3)

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? ☒ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended ☐ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

Evaluator's Names
M. Paulson

Date
07/22/2011

Rationale:

The Project would be consistent with VQO Modification management objectives. This management objective allows for moderate alternations to the landscape. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

Project Location

KOP Location

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KOP P-17
Campground
(Segment 310)

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KOP Photograph



Structures Location and Height

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VISUAL CONTRAST RATING WORKSHEET

Date 07/24/2011
District Price FO
Resource Area
Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name TransWest Express	4. Location <u>Old Spanish</u> Tr. Molen Rd. Township <u>20S</u> Range <u>8E</u> Section <u>17</u>	5. Location Sketch Please see Figure 3.12-2
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SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Irregular planar ridge. Conical in background.	Organic clumps and surfaces of shrubs. Both blanket and scattered pinon-juniper.	Planar steel lattice structures (twin).
LINE	Horizontal mesa skyline, angular side slopes and wide flat valley floor.	Irregular and curvilinear edges of shrubs and grasses.	Vertical and horizontal.
COLOR	Light to medium light to medium brown rock and soil.	Light to medium to dark olive green pinon-juniper and shrubs. Light bluish-silvery sagebrush. Light tan to green grasses..	Light to medium grey.
TEXTURE	Smooth to coarse landforms.	Smooth, moderate and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING ☐ SHORT TERM ☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)					
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Elements	Form										X				
	Line										X				
	Color										X				
	Texture											X			

Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

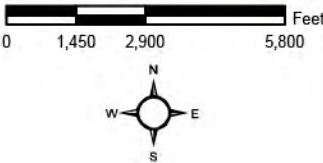
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Project Location



KOP Location



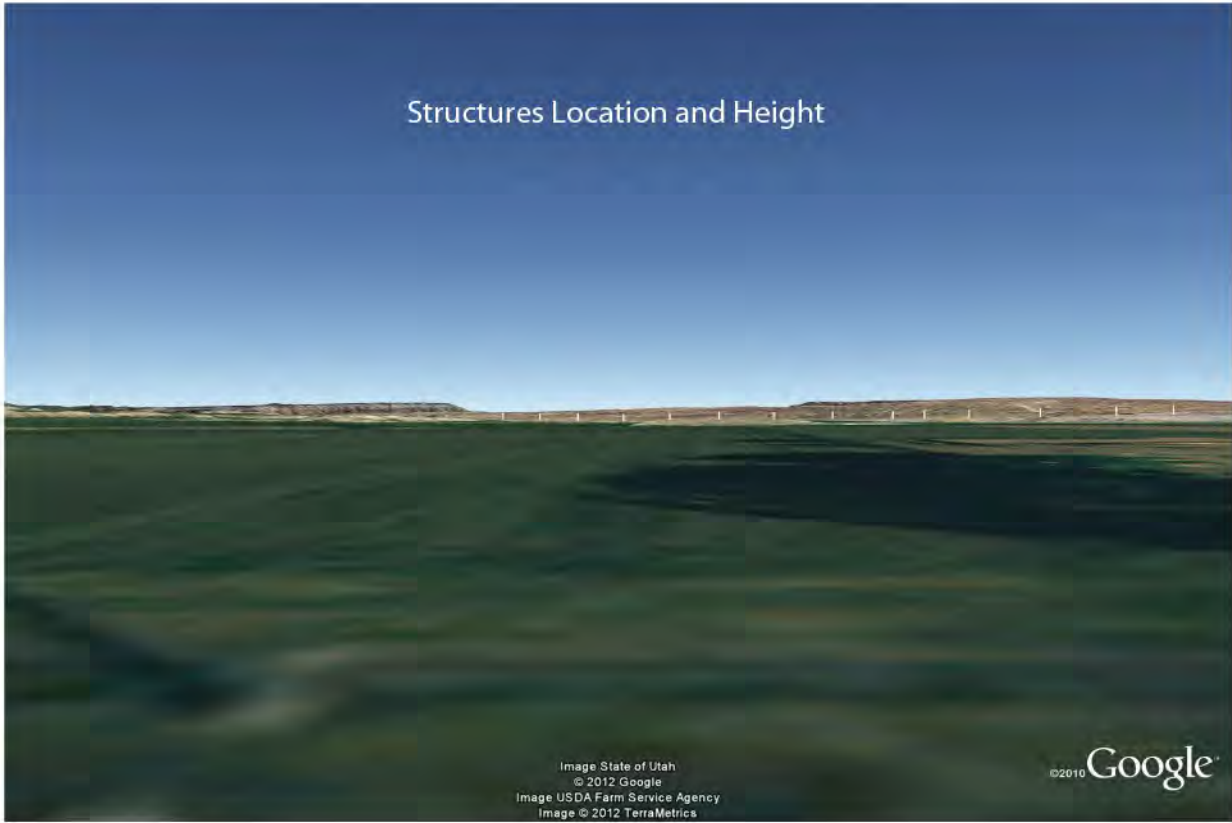
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KOP P-18
Old Spanish Trail
Molen Road
(Segment 310)





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Date 07/24/2011

District Price FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
P-19

3. VRM Class
IV

4. Location Utah SH 10-
Residential
Township 20S
Range 7E
Section 15

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

2. VEGETATION

3. STRUCTURES

FORM	Horizontal planar ridges.	Organic clumps of residential trees, shrubs and grasses.	Cylindrical poles. Cubed residential structures.
LINE	Horizontal skyline.	Curvilinear tree edges. Rectilinear field grasses.	Vertical power poles. Horizontal and vertical structures.
COLOR	Light to medium light to medium brown soil.	Dark olive green trees. Light silver gray green shrubs. Golden tan to green grasses. Strong green mown areas.	Dark brown poles. Brown structures.
TEXTURE	Smooth landforms.	Coarse trees and field grasses.	Smooth to medium structures and poles.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

2. VEGETATION

3. STRUCTURES

FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

SHORT TERM

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DEGREE OF CONTRAST	FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	
	LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)					
	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None		
Elements	Form											X	Evaluator's Names M. Paulson Date 07/22/2011	
	Line											X		
	Color											X		
	Texture											X		

Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

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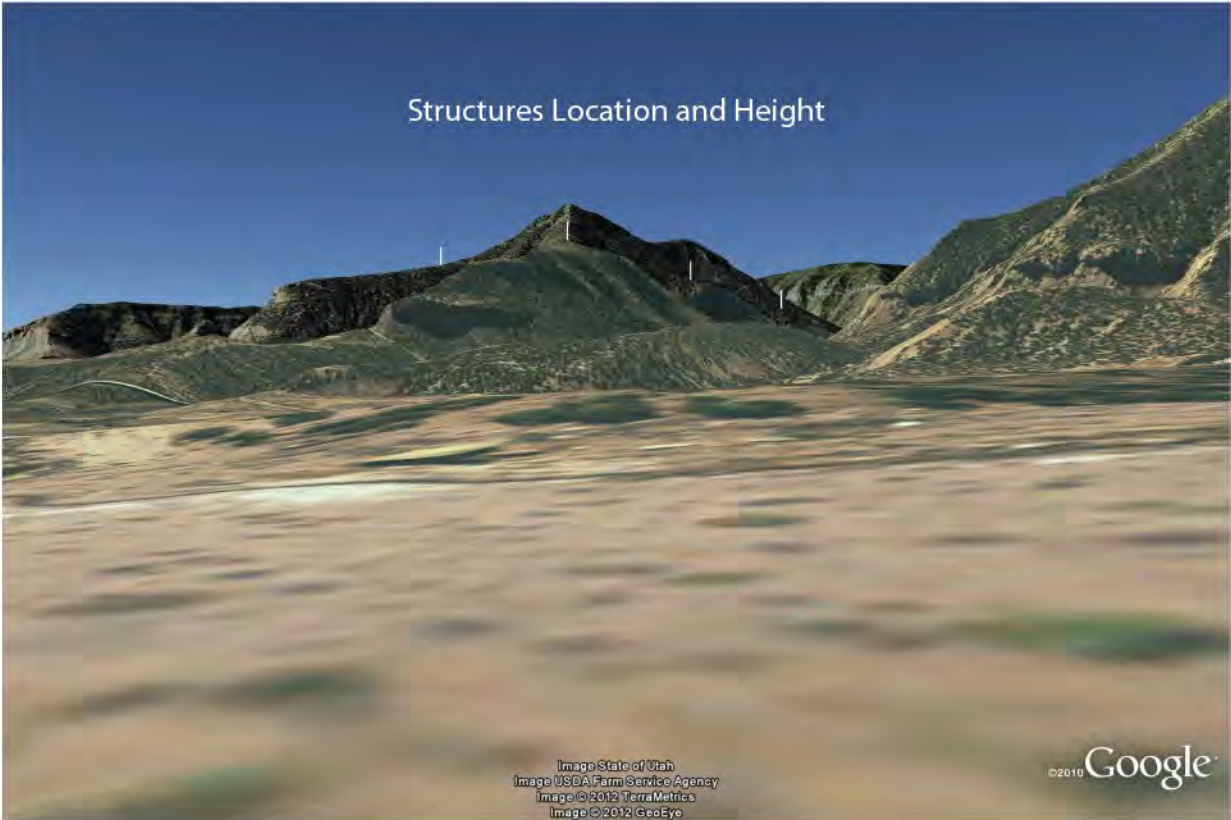
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Utah State Hwy 10
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(Segment 330.1)

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Date 07/23/2011

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Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
P-32

3. VRM Class
USFS VQO Partial Retention

4. Location Utah SH 31
Township 16S
Range 7E
Section 36

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Angular mountain ridges – strongly v-shaped narrow valley. Inclined planar side slopes.	Organic clumps and surfaces of coniferous forest.	Strongly cylindrical wood poles and planar conductors. Planar steel lattice.
LINE	Angular mountain skyline, angular side slopes and inclined valley floor. Horizontal toe-of-slope bench.	Toothed skyline edges of forest.	Vertical and horizontal wood pole and crossarm elements and arced conductors. Vertical steel lattice.
COLOR	Light to medium light to medium brown rock and soil.	Medium to dark olive green forest.	Medium to dark brown poles and light silver-grey conductors Gray steel lattice.
TEXTURE	Smooth landforms, coarse geology.	Coarse coniferous forest.	NA

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM		Planar ROW clearing in conifers.	Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE		Linear edges of ROW clearing in conifers.	Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR		Light to medium tan grasses in ROW clearing in conifers.	Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE		Smooth to medium ROW clearing.	

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)				
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)								
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Elements	Form					X							X					3. Additional mitigating measures recommended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)
	Line						X						X					
	Color						X						X					
	Texture						X							X				
														Evaluator's Names M. Paulson	Date 07/22/2011			

Rationale:
Where the Project would be located within 0.5 miles of the viewer and does not parallel an existing transmission line and/or where access roads and vegetation clearing would occur in moderate to steep terrain, it would have a strong or moderate contrast and would not be consistent with High SIO or Retention VQO management objectives. Mitigation measures (VR-1 and VR-7) would reduce strong contrasts to moderate resulting in moderate to low residual impacts where the Project is located more than 0.5 miles away from viewer locations

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

Project Location

KOP Location

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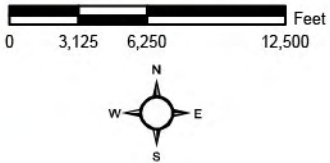
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Utah State Hwy 31
(Segment 310)



Project Location



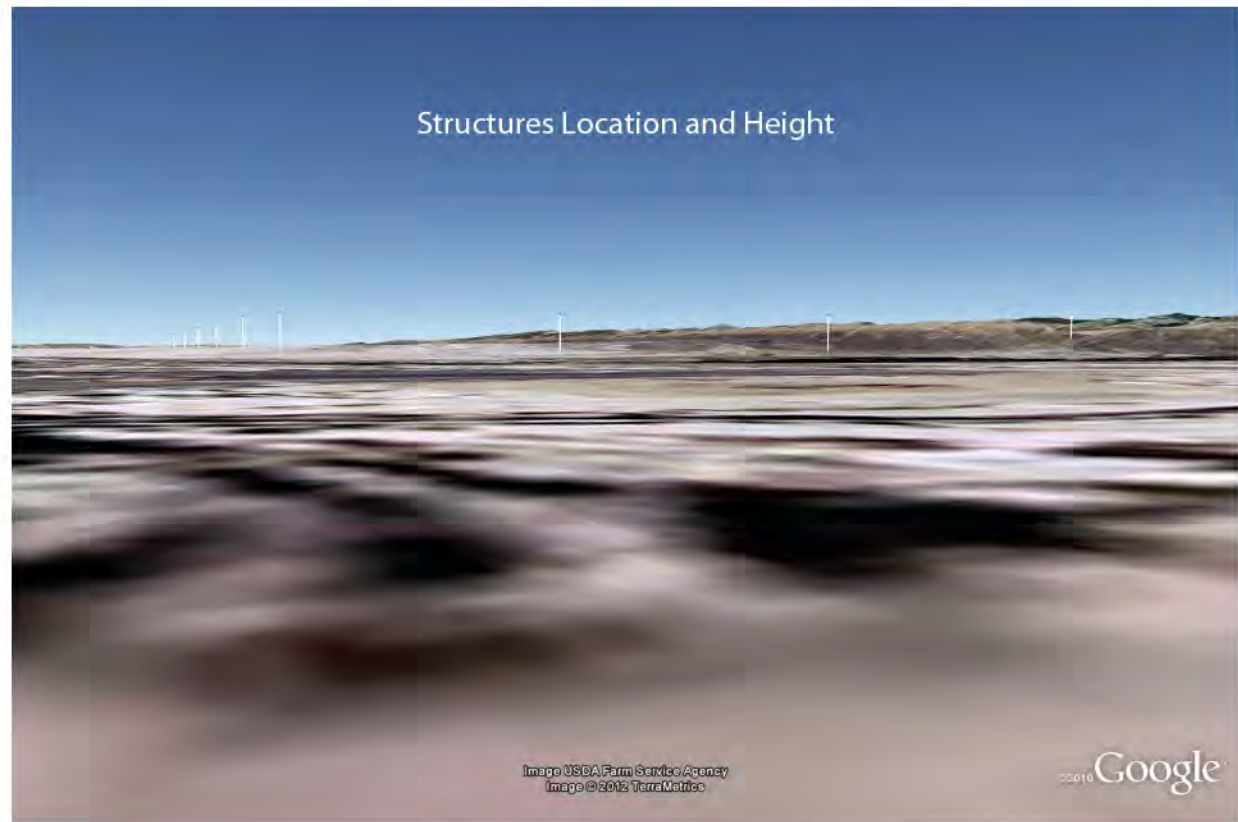
KOP Location



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KOP P-32
Simulated Condition
(Segment 310)





Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.





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VISUAL CONTRAST RATING WORKSHEET

Date 11/11/2011

District Price FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
P-34

3. VRM Class
IV (VRI Class III)

4. Location U.S. 6
(northbound)
Township 20S
Range 14E
Section 35

5. Location
Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Angular mountains backdrop, rolling hills, and planar valley floor.	Organic clumps and surfaces of grasses and forbs.	Planar roadway.
LINE	Irregular mountain skyline, curvilinear hills, and horizontal valley floor.	Irregular edges of grasses and forbs.	Linear roadway and markers and curving fence rows.
COLOR	Light to medium light to medium brown and grey rock and soil.	Light to medium tan to brown grasses and forbs..	Light to medium grey roadway.
TEX- TURE	Smooth to medium landforms.	Smooth, moderate and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)				
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)								
		Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None					
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	Line													X				
	Color													X				
	Texture														X			

Evaluator's Names
M. Paulson

Date
11/11/2011

Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

Project Location

KOP Location

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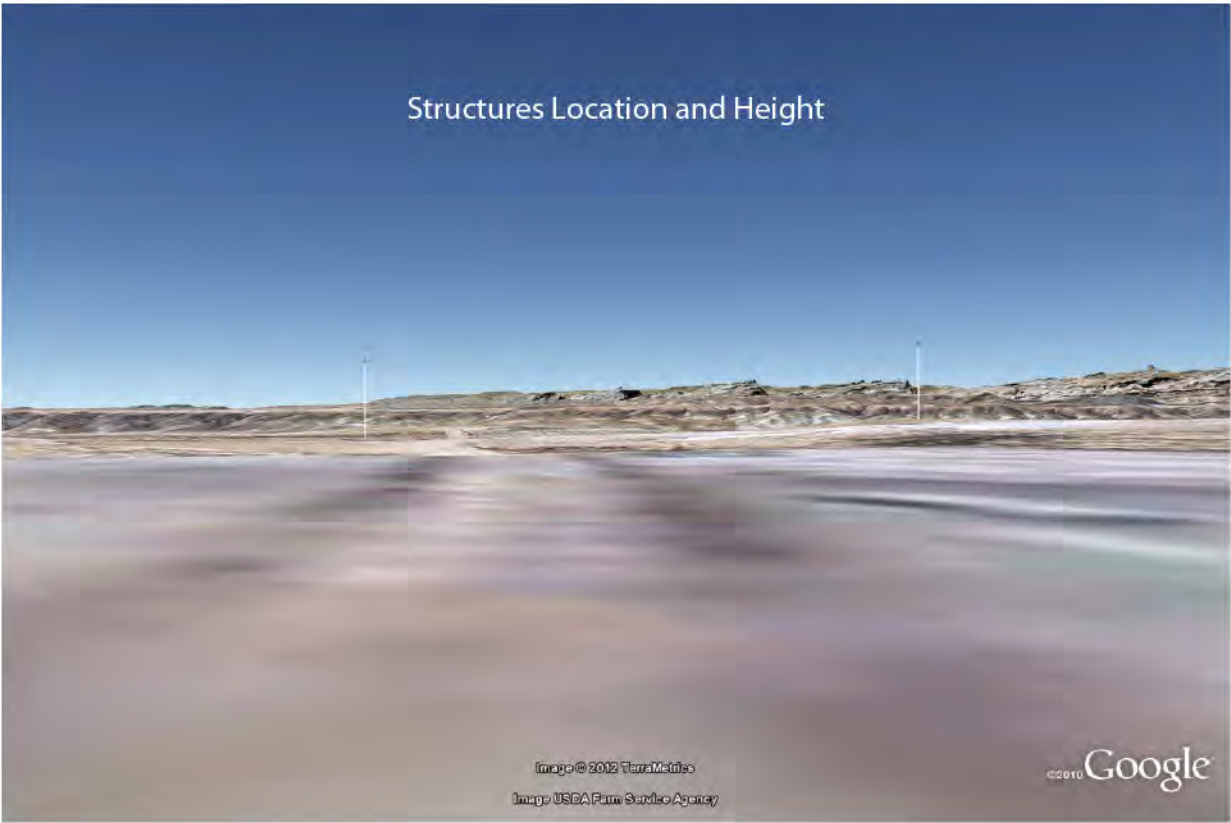
KOP P-34
U.S. 6 (northbound)
(Segment 220.1)

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Structures Location and Height



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VISUAL CONTRAST RATING WORKSHEET

Date 11/11/2011

District Price FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name TransWest Express	4. Location <u>Smith Camp Road</u>	5. Location Sketch Please see Figure 3.12-2
2. Key Observation Point P-35	Township <u>21S</u>	
3. VRM Class IV (VRI Class III)	Range <u>14E</u>	
	Section <u>1</u>	

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER		2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Angular mountain escarpment backdrop, rolling hills, and planar valley floor.	Organic clumps and surfaces of grasses and forbs.	Planar roadway and 345-kV H-frame.
LINE	Irregular mountain skyline, curvilinear hills, and horizontal valley floor.	Irregular edges of grasses and forbs.	Angular roadway, and vertical and horizontal 345-kV H-frame.
COLOR	Light to medium light to medium brown and grey rock and soil.	Light to medium tan to brownish grey grasses and forbs..	Medium brown roadway and dark brown 345-kV H-frame.
TEX- TURE	Smooth to medium landforms.	Smooth, moderate and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER		2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING ☐ SHORT TERM ☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)		
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)						
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	Color													x		
	Texture													x		
														Evaluator's Names M. Paulson	Date 11/11/2011	

Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

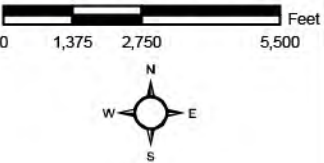
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Project Location



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KOP P-35
Smith Camp Road
(Segment 220.1)





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Date08/04/2012

DistrictPrice FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
P-36

3. VRM Class
Private

4. LocationUtah SH 10
SB

Township22S

Range6E

Section20

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

Irregular planar ridge. Vertical planar slope faces and walls and eroded rocky side slopes.

LINE

Angular mesa skyline, angular side slopes and wide flat valley floor.

COLOR

Light to medium light to medium brown rock and soil.

TEX-TURE

Smooth to coarse landforms.

2. VEGETATION

Organic clumps and surfaces of shrubs. Blanket of pinon-juniper on the skyline.

Irregular and curvilinear edges of shrubs and grasses. Curved edges of pinon-juniper in background.

Light to medium to dark olive green shrubs. Light bluish-silvery sagebrush. Light tan to green grasses..

Smooth, moderate and coarse.

3. STRUCTURES

Strongly planar paved roadway and twin 345-kV steel lattice structures.

Straight and horizontal and vertical 345-kV structures

Light to medium grey roadway and 345-kV structures.

Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

LINE

COLOR

TEX-TURE

2. VEGETATION

3. STRUCTURES

Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.

Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.

Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.

Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

SHORT TERM

LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST

LAND/WATER BODY (1)

VEGETATION (2)

STRUCTURES (3)

2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? Yes No (Explain on reverse side)

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended Yes No (Explain on reverse side)

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Evaluator's NamesM. Paulson

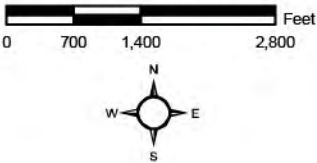
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Project Location



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KOP P-36
Utah SH 10
(southbound)
(Segment 330.1)

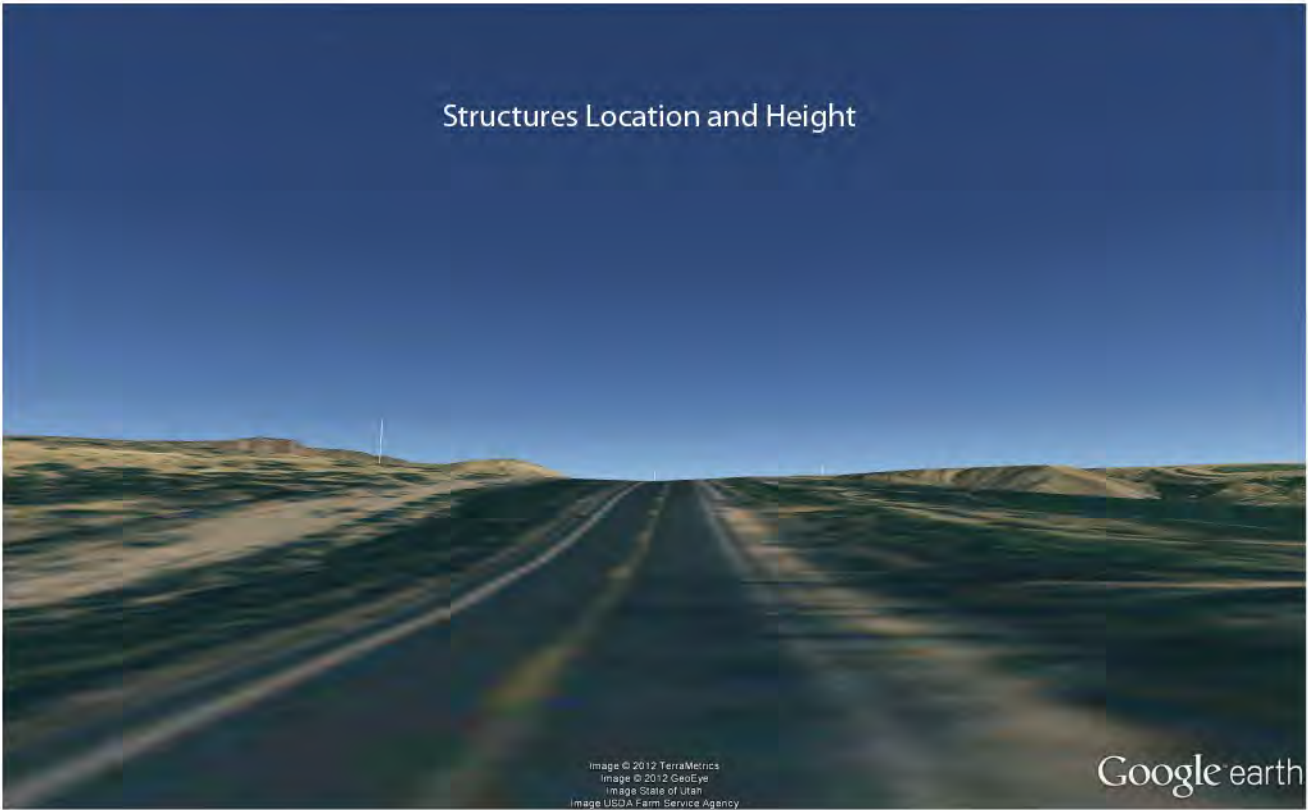


Rationale:

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District Price FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
P-37

3. VRM Class
Private

4. Location Utah SH 10
NB

Township 22S

Range 6E

Section 30

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

Irregular planar ridge. Vertical planar slope faces and walls and eroded rocky side slopes.

LINE

Angular mesa skyline, angular side slopes and wide flat valley floor.

COLOR

Light to medium light to medium brown rock and soil.

TEX-
TURE

Smooth to coarse landforms.

2. VEGETATION

FORM

Organic clumps and surfaces of shrubs. Blanket of pinon-juniper on the skyline.

LINE

Irregular and curvilinear edges of shrubs and grasses. Curved edges of pinon-juniper in background.

COLOR

Light to medium to dark olive green shrubs. Light bluish-silvery sagebrush. Light tan to green grasses..

TEX-
TURE

Smooth, moderate and coarse.

3. STRUCTURES

FORM

Strongly planar paved roadway and twin 345-kV steel lattice structures.

LINE

Straight and horizontal and vertical 345-kV structures

COLOR

Light to medium grey roadway and 345-kV structures.

TEX-
TURE

Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

FORM

LINE

COLOR

TEX-
TURE

2. VEGETATION

FORM

LINE

COLOR

TEX-
TURE

3. STRUCTURES

FORM

Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.

LINE

Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.

COLOR

Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.

TEX-
TURE

Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

SHORT TERM

LONG TERM

2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? Yes No (Explain on reverse side)

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended Yes No (Explain on reverse side)

DEGREE OF CONTRAST

LAND/WATER BODY (1)

VEGETATION (2)

STRUCTURES (3)

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Strong

Moderate

Weak

None

Form

Line

Color

Texture

X

X

X

X

Evaluator's Names

Date

M. Paulson

08/04/2012

Rationale:

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

Project Location

KOP Location

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TRANSMISSION PROJECT

KOP P-37
Utah SH 10
(northbound)
(Segment 330.1)

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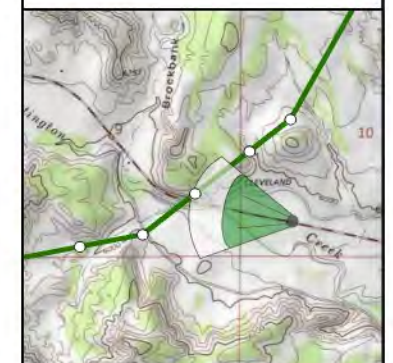
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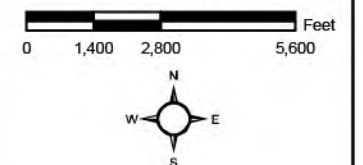
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1. Project Name TransWest Express												4. Location <u>Utah SH 31</u> – <u>Huntington WB</u> <u>Township 17S</u> <u>Range 8E</u> <u>Section 10</u>												5. Location Sketch Please see Figure 3.12-2			
2. Key Observation Point P-40																											
3. VRM Class Private																											
SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION																											
1. LAND/WATER								2. VEGETATION								3. STRUCTURES											
FORM		Angular mountain mesas. Inclined planar side slopes. Rolling valley floor.						Organic clumps and surfaces of boxelder and pinon-juniper						NA													
LINE		Angular mountain skyline, banded eroded side slopes.						Irregular edges of forest cover and foreground trees and shrubs.						NA													
COLOR		Light to medium light to medium brown rock and soil.						Medium to dark olive green.						NA													
TEXTURE		Smooth landforms, coarse geology.						Medium pinon-juniper and boxelder.						NA													
SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION																											
1. LAND/WATER								2. VEGETATION								3. STRUCTURES											
FORM														Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.													
LINE														Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.													
COLOR														Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.													
TEXTURE														Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.													
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		Color														X											
		Texture														X											



Project Location



KOP Location



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TRANSMISSION PROJECT**

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Utah SH 31/Huntington
(westbound)
(Segment 222.3)



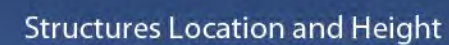
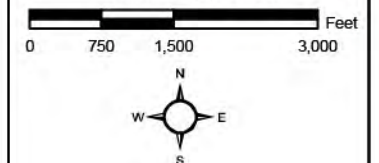
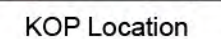
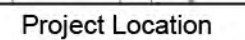


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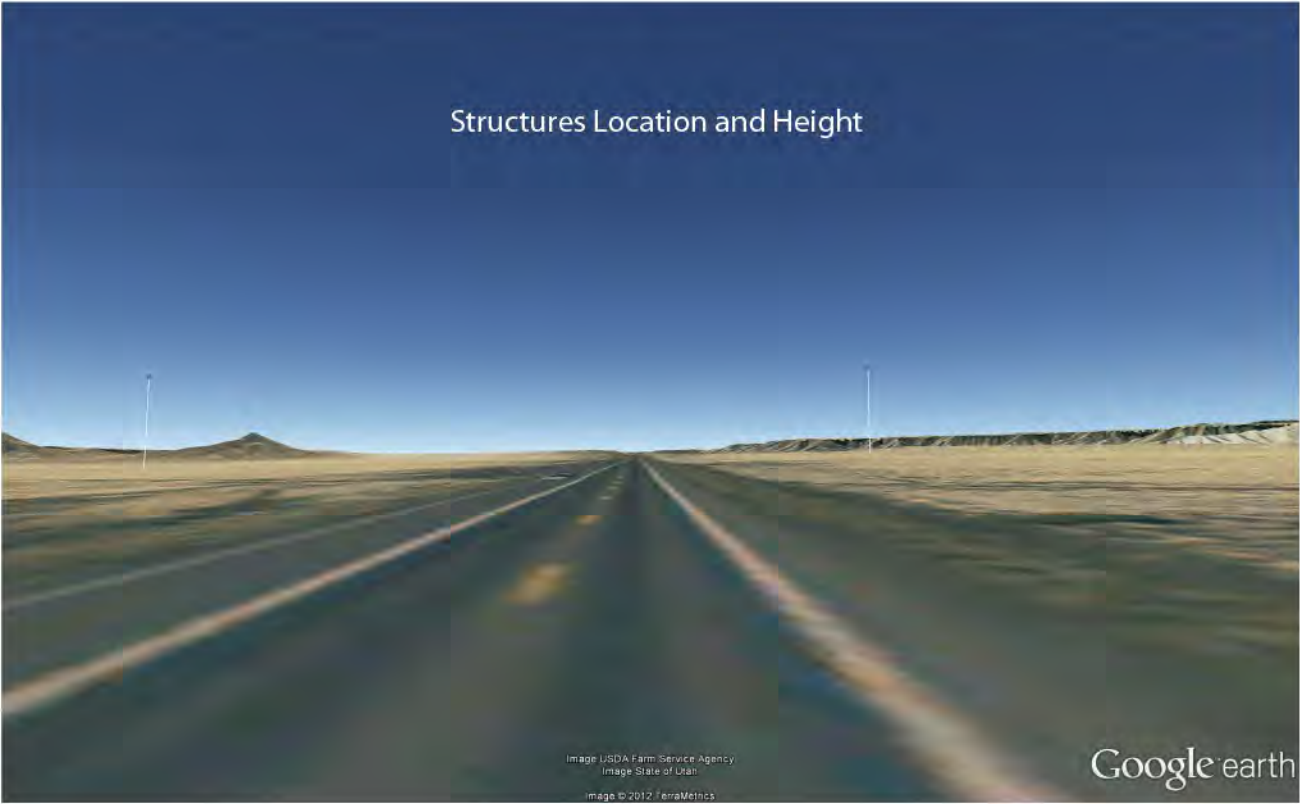
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TRANSMISSION PROJECT**

KOP P-41
Quitchupa Rd. (westbound)
Residential
(Segment 330.1)





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Visual Contrast Rating Worksheet

Date 08/03/2012

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Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
P-42

3. VRM Class
Class IV

4. Location Utah SH 10
SB

Township 16S

Range 9E

Section 1

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Irregular planar ridge. Vertical planar slope faces and walls and eroded side slopes.	Scattered grasses.	Strongly planar paved roadway
LINE	Angular mesa skyline, angular side slopes and wide flat valley floor.	Indistinct	Straight and horizontal
COLOR	Light to medium light to medium brown rock and soil.	Light to medium tan grasses	Light to medium grey roadway
TEXTURE	Smooth to coarse landforms.	Smooth to moderate	Smooth

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

SHORT TERM

LONG TERM

2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? ☒ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended ☐ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

Elements	DEGREE OF CONTRAST	FEATURES												Evaluator's Names M. Paulson	Date 08/03/2012
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)					
		Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None		
Form													X		
Line													X		
Color													X		
Texture													X		

Rationale:
The Project would be consistent with VRM Class IV management objectives. This management objective allows for strong (and all other) contrasts in the landscape.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

Project Location

KOP Location

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TRANSMISSION PROJECT

KOP P-42
Utah SH 10
(southbound)
(Segment 222.05)



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Date 08/03/2012

District Price FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
P-43

3. VRM Class
III

4. Location Watis Road
EB
Township 15S
Range 8E
Section 10

5. Location Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Strongly planar ridge. Angular planar slope faces and eroded rocky side slopes.	Organic clumps and surfaces of shrubs. Blanket of pinon-juniper.	Strongly planar paved roadway, pump jack, and twin 345-kV steel lattice structures.
LINE	Angular mesa skyline, angular side slopes and wide flat valley floor.	Irregular and curvilinear edges of shrubs and grasses. Curved edges of pinon-juniper in background.	Straight, horizontal, and inclined pump jack, and vertical 345-kV structures
COLOR	Light to medium light to medium brown rock and soil.	Light to medium to dark olive green shrubs. Light bluish-silvery sagebrush. Light tan to green grasses..	Light to medium grey roadway, dark pump jack, and 345-kV structures.
TEXTURE	Smooth to coarse landforms.	Smooth, moderate and coarse.	Smooth to medium.

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM			Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE			Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR			Light silver to dark grey steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE			Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM ☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)			
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)							
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Elements	Form												X		3. Additional mitigating measures recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	Evaluator's Names M. Paulson	Date 08/03/2012
	Line												X				
	Color												X				
	Texture													X			

Rationale:
Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would comply with VRM Class III management objects. Contrasts in these situations would be moderate or weak. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

Project Location

KOP Location

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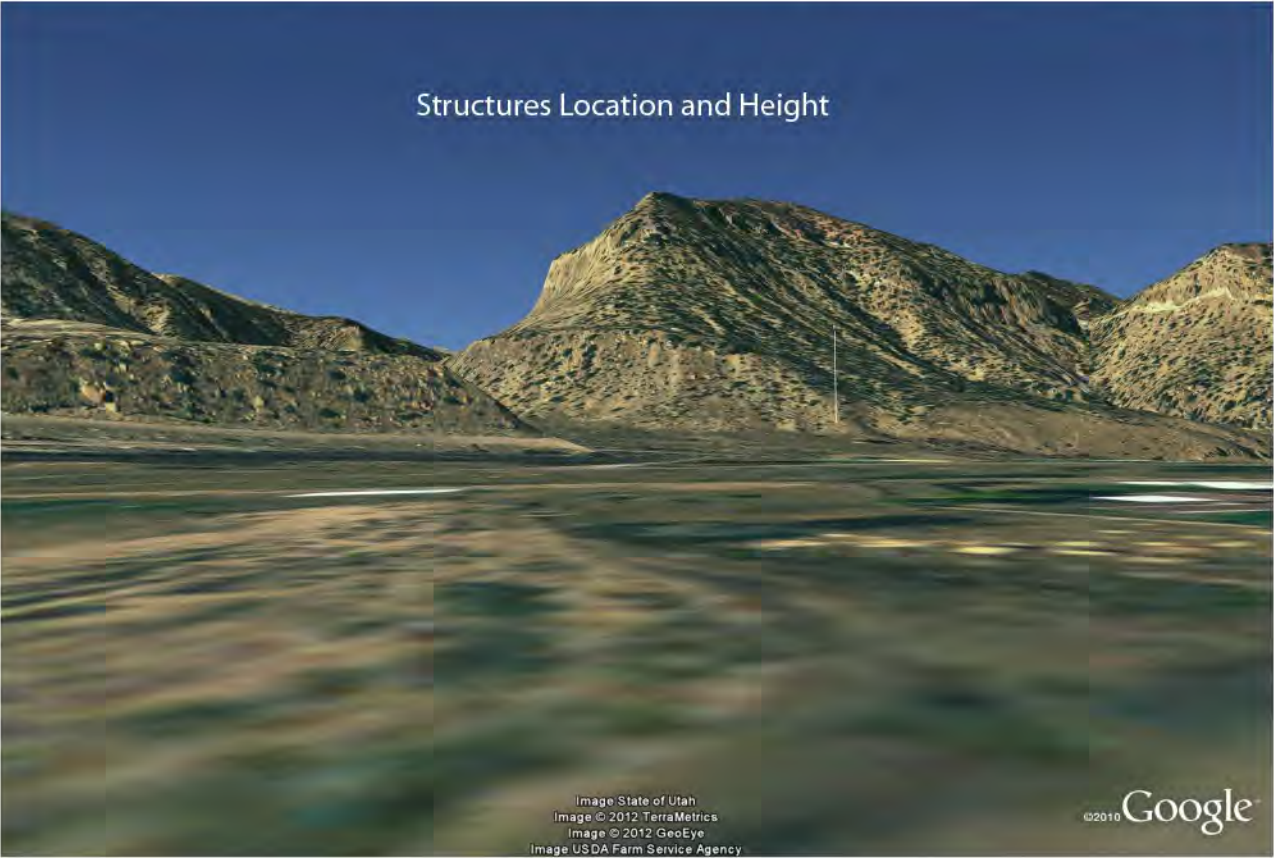
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Watis Road
(eastbound)
(Segment 223)

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DATE 10/3/11
District Price FO
Resource Area
Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

4. Location Martin
residential
Township 13S
Range 9E
Section 13

5. Location
Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

2. VEGETATION

3. STRUCTURES

FORM	Undulating, horizontal, bold vertical, rugged	Few, Stippled, amorphous patches	Moderately tall, vertical
LINE	Curving, vertical, diagonal, angular	Weak diffuse, indistinct, broken	Vertical, concave, horizontal
COLOR	Tans, browns, grays	Dark greens, tans, gray-greens	Brown, gray
TEXTURE	Banded, coarse grain	Fine to medium grain, uneven/random	Medium grain, dense

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

2. VEGETATION

3. STRUCTURES

FORM		Stippled vegetation	Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE		Diffuse edge	Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR		Tans, gray-greens	Light silver to dark gray steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE		Fine to medium grain	Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST	ELEMENTS	FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)					
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	Color			X				X		X					
	Texture		X					X				X			

Rationale:

Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would comply with VRM Class III management objects. Contrasts in these situations would be moderate or weak. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

Project Location

KOP Location

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TRANSMISSION PROJECT

KOP P-45
Martin Residential
(Segment 217.1)

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Date 10/3/11
District Price FO
Resource Area
Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
P-46

3. VRM Class
III

4. Location West Helper
residential
Township 13S
Range 9E
Section 23

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	FG: Plateaus, level BG: Bold vertical, horizontal, rugged	Amorphous masses, stippled areas	Moderately tall, geometric, vertical
LINE	Vertical, diagonal, angular	Weak, diffuse, indistinct	Vertical, concave, angular
COLOR	Tans, grays, reds	Dark greens	Brown
TEXTURE	Banded, coarse grain	Fine to medium grain	Medium grain, sparse density

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM		Stippled vegetation	Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE		Diffuse edge	Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR		Tans, gray-greens	Light silver to dark gray steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE		Fine to medium grain	Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING ☐ SHORT TERM ☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)		
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)						
		Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None			
Elements	Form			X			X				X			3. Additional mitigating measures recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	Evaluator's Names EPG (Review and update as needed by M. Paulson)	Date 10/3/11 7/24/12
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	Color			X			X				X					
	Texture		X				X				X					

Rationale:
Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would comply with VRM Class III management objects. Contrasts in these situations would be moderate or weak. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

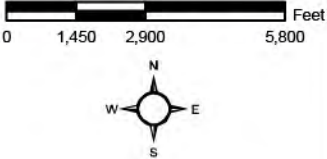
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Project Location



KOP Location



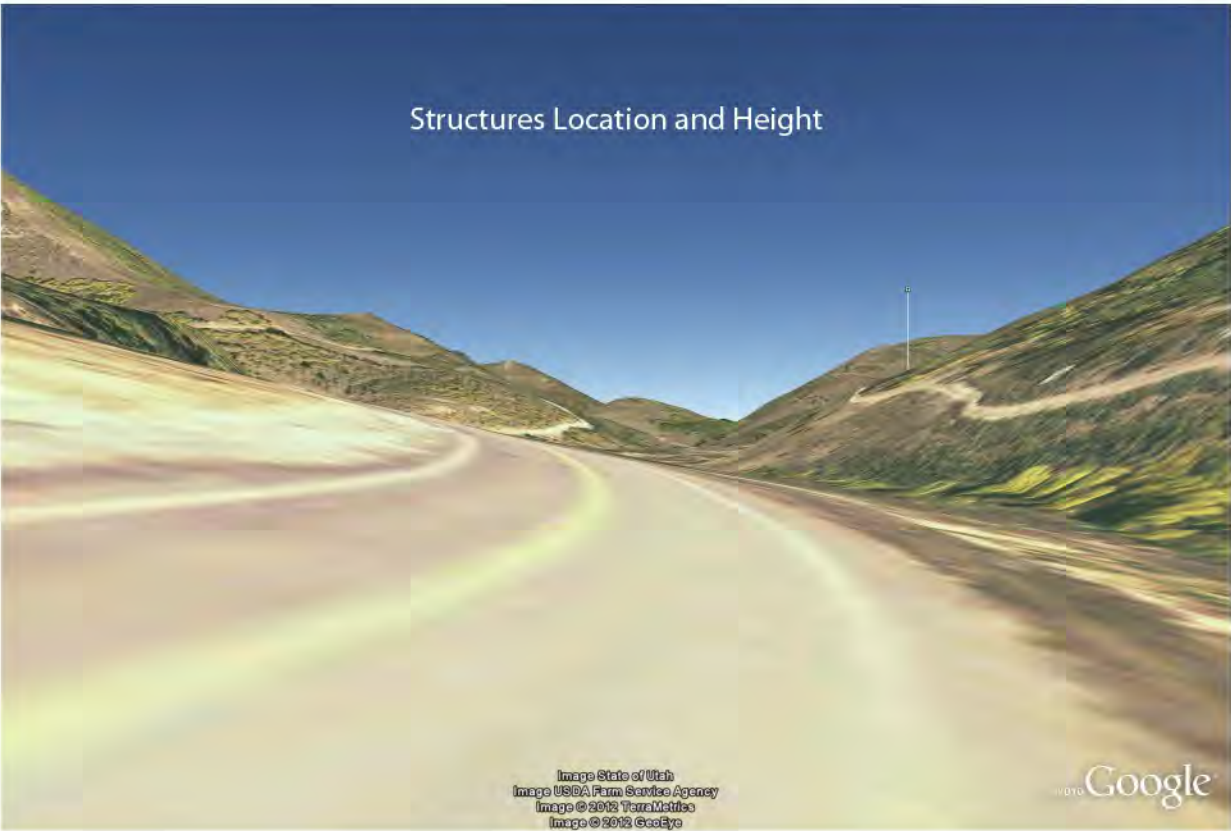
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TRANSMISSION PROJECT

KOP P-46
West Helper
Residential
(Segment 217.1)





KOP Photograph



Structures Location and Height

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VISUAL CONTRAST RATING WORKSHEET

Date 9/27/11
District Price FO
Resource Area
Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION															
1. Project Name TransWest Express				4. Location <u>Clear Creek</u> <u>residential</u> Township <u>13S</u> Range <u>7E</u> Section <u>33</u>				5. Location Sketch Please see Figure 3.12-2							
2. Key Observation Point P-47															
3. VRM Class NA															
SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION															
1. LAND/WATER				2. VEGETATION				3. STRUCTURES							
FORM	Diagonal, bold, rounded			Vertical, complex, pyramidal, amorphous				Geometric, horizontal, rectangular							
LINE	Curving, continuous			Flowing, complex, irregular				Vertical, angular, regular							
COLOR	Tans, grays			Vivid, yellow, greens, seasonal variety				Brown, gray							
TEX- TURE	Medium grain			Coarse, stippled, scattered				Coarse grain, sparse density, uniform							
SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION															
1. LAND/WATER				2. VEGETATION				3. STRUCTURES							
FORM				NA				Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.							
LINE				NA				Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductions.							
COLOR				NA				Light silver to dark gray steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.							
TEX- TURE				NA				Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.							
SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING <input type="checkbox"/> SHORT TERM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LONG TERM															
DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)					
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	Color				X					X		X			
	Texture				X					X		X			
Evaluator's Names EPG (Review and update as needed by M. Paulson)												Date 9/27/11 7/24/12			

Rationale:

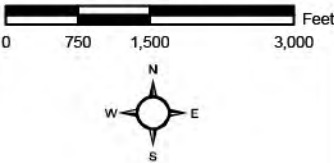
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Project Location



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Clear Creek
Residential
(Segment 217.15)





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Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
P-48

3. VRM Class
NA

4. Location Energy Loop
Scenic Byway (UT Route 96)
Township 13S
Range 7E
Section 29

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

2. VEGETATION

3. STRUCTURES

FORM	Diagonal, bold, rounded	Vertical, complex, pyramidal, amorphous	Moderately tall, vertical, thin
LINE	Curving, angular, continuous	Flowing, complex, irregular, butt edge	Vertical, angular
COLOR	Tans	Vivid, greens, tans, seasonal variation	Browns
TEXTURE	Medium to coarse grain	Coarse, stippled, scattered	Fine grain

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

2. VEGETATION

3. STRUCTURES

FORM		NA	Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE		NA	Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductors.
COLOR		NA	Light silver to dark gray steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE		NA	Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST

FEATURES

2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? ☐ Yes☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended ☐ Yes☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

Elements		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)				
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Form				X				X	X					
Line				X				X	X		X			
Color				X				X	X					
Texture				X				X	X					

Evaluator's Names

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Rationale:

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A map of Utah showing the project location with a blue dot in the southern part of the state, near the border with Arizona and New Mexico.

Project Location

A topographic map showing the KOP location with a green line indicating the project route and a red dot marking the KOP location.

KOP Location

A scale bar showing distances in feet (0, 1,450, 2,900, 5,800) and a compass rose indicating North (N), South (S), East (E), and West (W).

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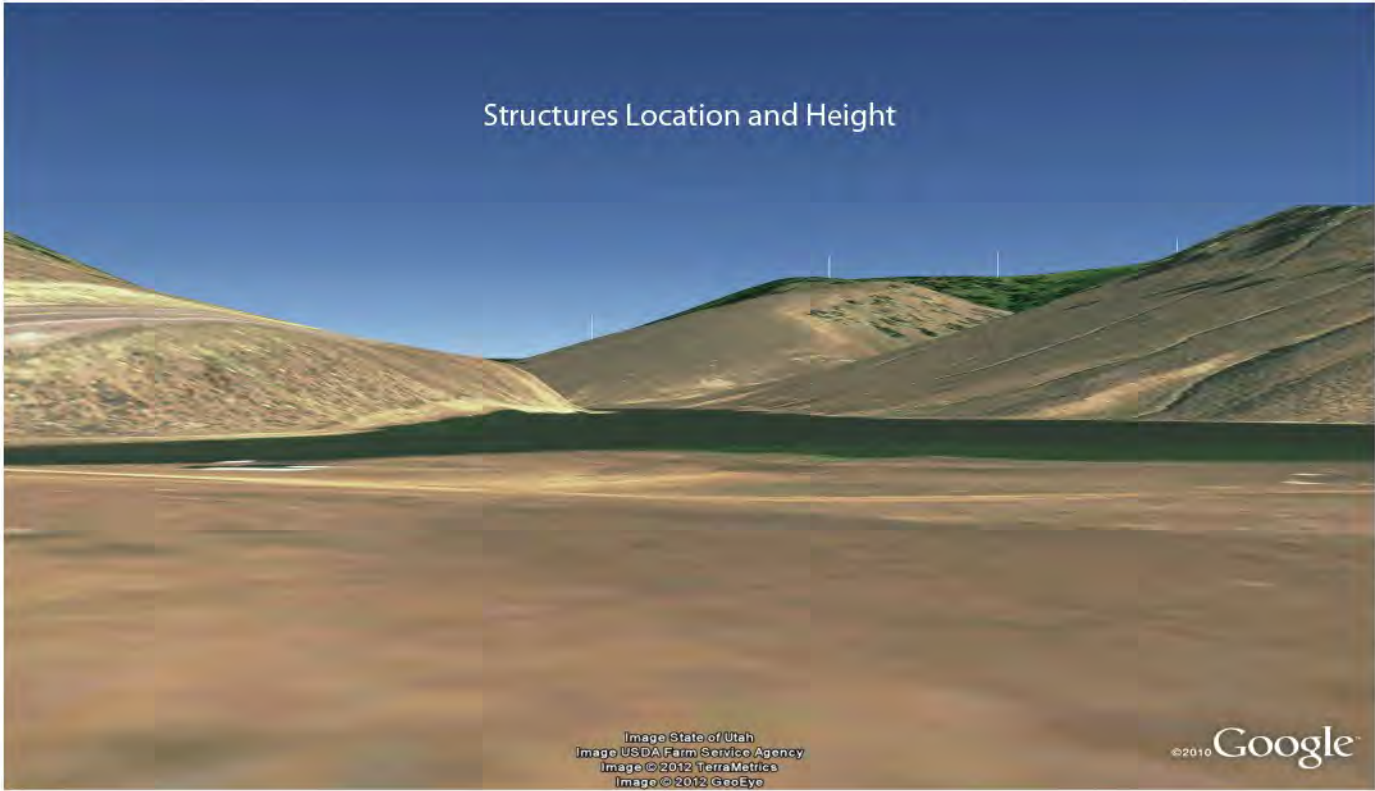
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Energy Loop Scenic Byway
(Utah Route 96)
(Segment 217.15)

The logo for the Bureau of Land Management, featuring a mountain, river, and tree.

The logo for the Western Area Power Administration, featuring a stylized mountain and the text "Western AREA POWER ADMINISTRATION".

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District Mantl-Lasal National Forest

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
P-49

3. VRM Class
USFS VQO Retention

4. Location Electric Lake
Township 13S
Range 6E
Section 34

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

2. VEGETATION

3. STRUCTURES

FORM	Diagonal, bold, rounded	Vertical, complex, pyramidal, amorphous	NA
LINE	Curving, continuous, horizontal	Flowing, complex, irregular, butt edge in background (right-of-way clearing)	NA
COLOR	Tans, blues, reflective	Vivid, tans, greens, gray-green, white	NA
TEX- TURE	Smooth surface on reservoir, medium grain	Coarse, stippled, scattered	NA

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

2. VEGETATION

3. STRUCTURES

FORM		Geometric	Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE		Horizontal, butt edge	Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductions.
COLOR		Tans, gray-green	Light silver to dark gray steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE		Fine grain	Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST

FEATURES

2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? ☐ Yes☒ No (Explain on reverse side)

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended ☒ Yes☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

Elements	Form	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Evaluator's Names EPG (Review and update as needed by M. Paulson)	Date 9/27/11 7/24/12
	Line			X				X				X			
	Color				X				X				X		
	Texture				X				X				X		

Rationale:
Where the Project would be located within 0.5 miles of the viewer and does not parallel an existing transmission line and/or where access roads and vegetation clearing would occur in moderate to steep terrain, it would have a strong or moderate contrast and would not be consistent with High SIO or Retention VQO management objectives. Mitigation measures (VR-1 and VR-7) would reduce strong contrasts to moderate resulting in moderate to low residual impacts where the Project is located more than 0.5 miles away from viewer locations

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

Project Location

KOP Location

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KOP P-49
Electric Lake
(Segment 217.15)

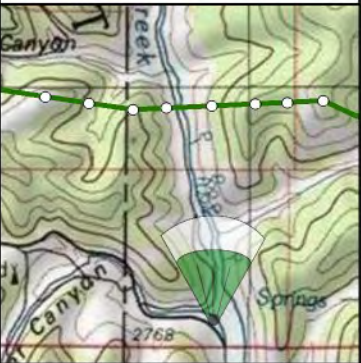
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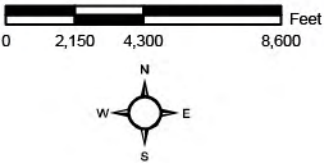
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Project Location



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Simulated Condition
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District Manti-Lasal National Forest

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
P-50

3. VRM Class
USFS VQO Retention

4. Location Energy Loop
Scenic Byway
Township 13S
Range 6E
Section 27

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

2. VEGETATION

3. STRUCTURES

FORM	Diagonal, bold, rounded	Vertical, complex, pyramidal, amorphous	NA
LINE	Curving, continuous, angular	Flowing, complex, irregular, butt edge in background (right-of-way clearing)	NA
COLOR	Tans	Vivid, tans, greens, gray-green	NA
TEXTURE	Medium grain	Coarse, stippled, scattered	NA

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

2. VEGETATION

3. STRUCTURES

FORM		Geometric	Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE		Horizontal, butt edge	Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conduction.
COLOR		Tans, gray-green	Light silver to dark gray steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE		Fine grain	Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM

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DEGREE OF CONTRAST

LAND/WATER BODY (1)

VEGETATION (2)

STRUCTURES (3)

2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? ☐ Yes ☒ No (Explain on reverse side)

3. Additional mitigating measures recommended ☒ Yes ☐ No (Explain on reverse side)

Elements	Form	x				x					x						Evaluator's Names EPG (Review and update as needed by M. Paulson)	Date 9/27/12 7/24/12
	Line	x					x				x							
	Color		x					x				x						
	Texture	x					x					x						

Rationale:
Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would be consistent with Moderate SIO or Partial Retention VQO management objectives. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

Project Location

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Energy Loop
Scenic Byway
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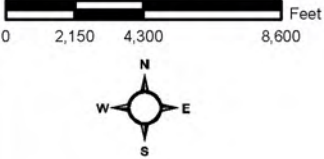
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Project Location



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Simulated Condition
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District Price FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
P-51

3. VRM Class
NA

4. Location Indian Canyon
Sc Byway (US Hwy 191)
Township 12S
Range 10E
Section 21

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

2. VEGETATION

3. STRUCTURES

FORM	Vertical, prominent, v-shaped	Amorphous patches, pyramidal	Moderately tall, vertical, geometric
LINE	Bold, diagonal, rugged	Irregular, broken, vertical, butt edge (existing right-of-way)	Vertical, concave/horizontal
COLOR	Grays, tans (little exposed soil)	Greens, tans, seasonal variation	Brown
TEXTURE	Coarse grain	Medium grain	Ordered, fine grain, medium density

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

2. VEGETATION

3. STRUCTURES

FORM		Geometric, rectangular	Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE		Angular, bold, butt edge	Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductions.
COLOR		Tans, gray-green	Light silver to dark gray steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEXTURE		fine grained	Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST	ELEMENTS	FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)			
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)							
		Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None				
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	Line	X					X				X						
	Color		X				X				X						
	Texture		X				X				X						
														Date 9/28/11 7/24/12			

Rationale:

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

Project Location

KOP Location

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KOP P-51
Indian Canyon Scenic Bywy
(U.S. Hwy 191)
(Segment 217.1)

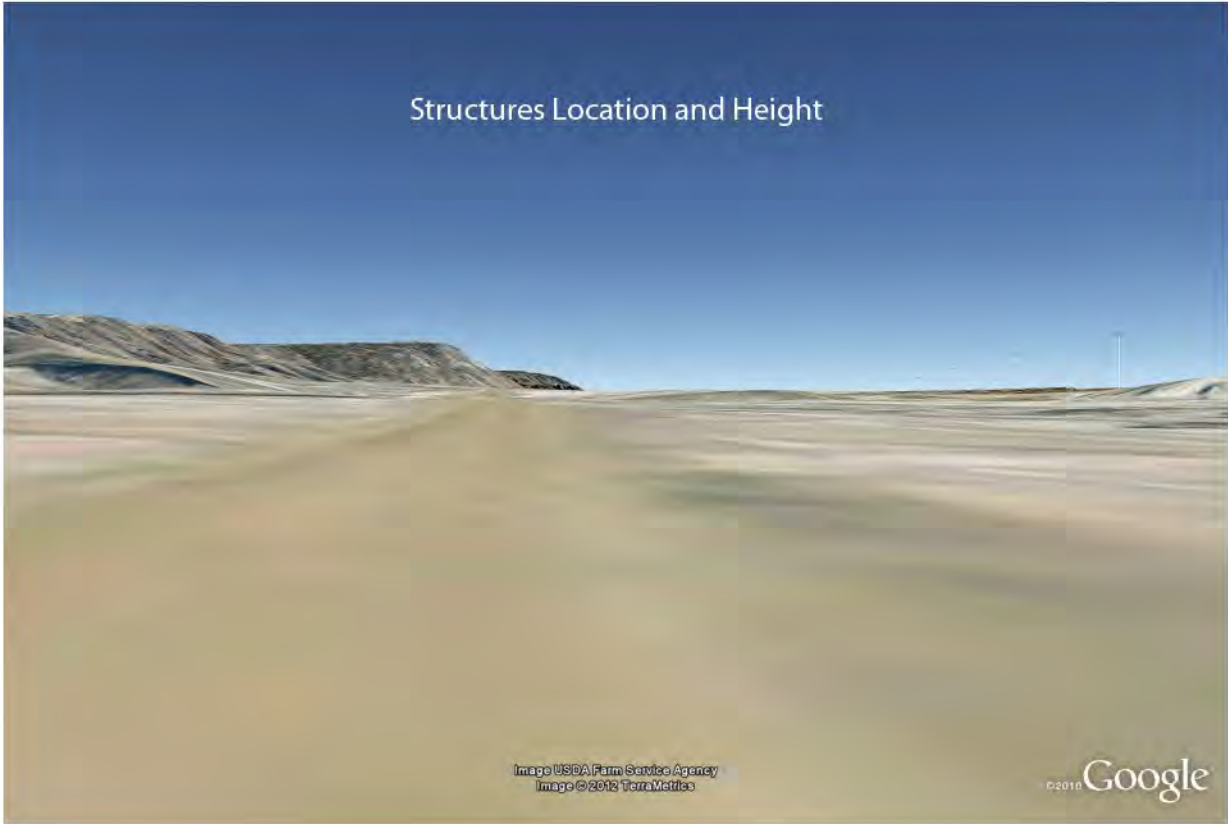
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District Price FO

Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
P-52

3. VRM Class
III

4. Location Wedge
Overlook Scenic Backway
Township 19S
Range 9E
Section 1

5. Location
Sketch

Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

2. VEGETATION

3. STRUCTURES

FORM	Shallow slopes, undulating, rugged in areas	Indistinct, patches, stippled, mottled	Vertical, geometric
LINE	Horizontal, diagonal, undulating	Indistinct	Vertical, concave
COLOR	Tans, grays	Gray-greens, tans	Brown
TEX- TURE	Medium to coarse grain	Medium grain	Medium grain, medium density, ordered

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

1. LAND/WATER

2. VEGETATION

3. STRUCTURES

FORM		Low, rectangular clearings (tower pads)	Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE		Indistinct, broken, regular	Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conduction.
COLOR		Sage greens, tans	Light silver to dark gray steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE		Fine grain	Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM

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DEGREE OF CONTRAST	ELEMENTS	FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)					
		Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None		
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	Line			X				X				X			
	Color			X				X				X			
	Texture		X					X				X			

Rationale:
Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would comply with VRM Class III management objects. Contrasts in these situations would be moderate or weak. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

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Project Location

KOP Location

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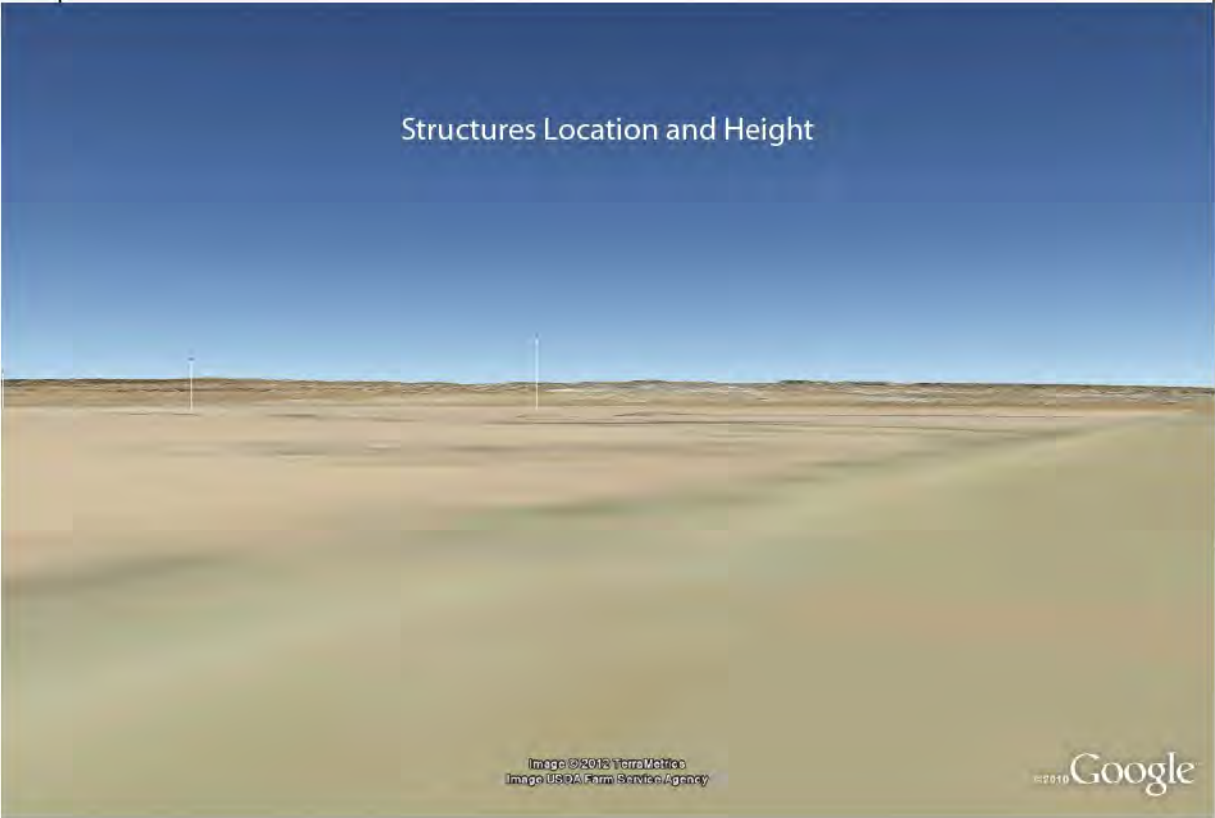
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Wedge Overlook
Scenic Backway
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Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
P-53

3. VRM Class
III

4. Location
Old Spanish
Nat'l Hist Trl (San Rafael SW)
Township 19S
Range 10E
Section 10

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Flat, smooth	Short, patchy	Low, geometric, vertical
LINE	Horizontal	angular, broken, diffuse edges	Horizontal, vertical, angular
COLOR	Tans, beiges	Gray-greens, tans, dull	Browns, tans
TEX- TURE	Fine grain	Even, medium grain	Medium grain, medium density

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM		Low, rectangular clearings (tower pads)	Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE		Indistinct, broken, regular	Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductions.
COLOR		Sage greens, tans	Light silver to dark gray steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE		Fine grain	Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)					3. Additional mitigating measures recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)
		Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None		
Elements	Form			X				X			X			Evaluator's Names EPG (Review and update as needed by M. Paulson)	Date 10/4/11 7/24/12
	Line			X				X			X				
	Color			X				X			X				
	Texture			X				X			X				

Rationale:
Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would comply with VRM Class III management objects. Contrasts in these situations would be moderate or weak. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

Project Location

KOP Location

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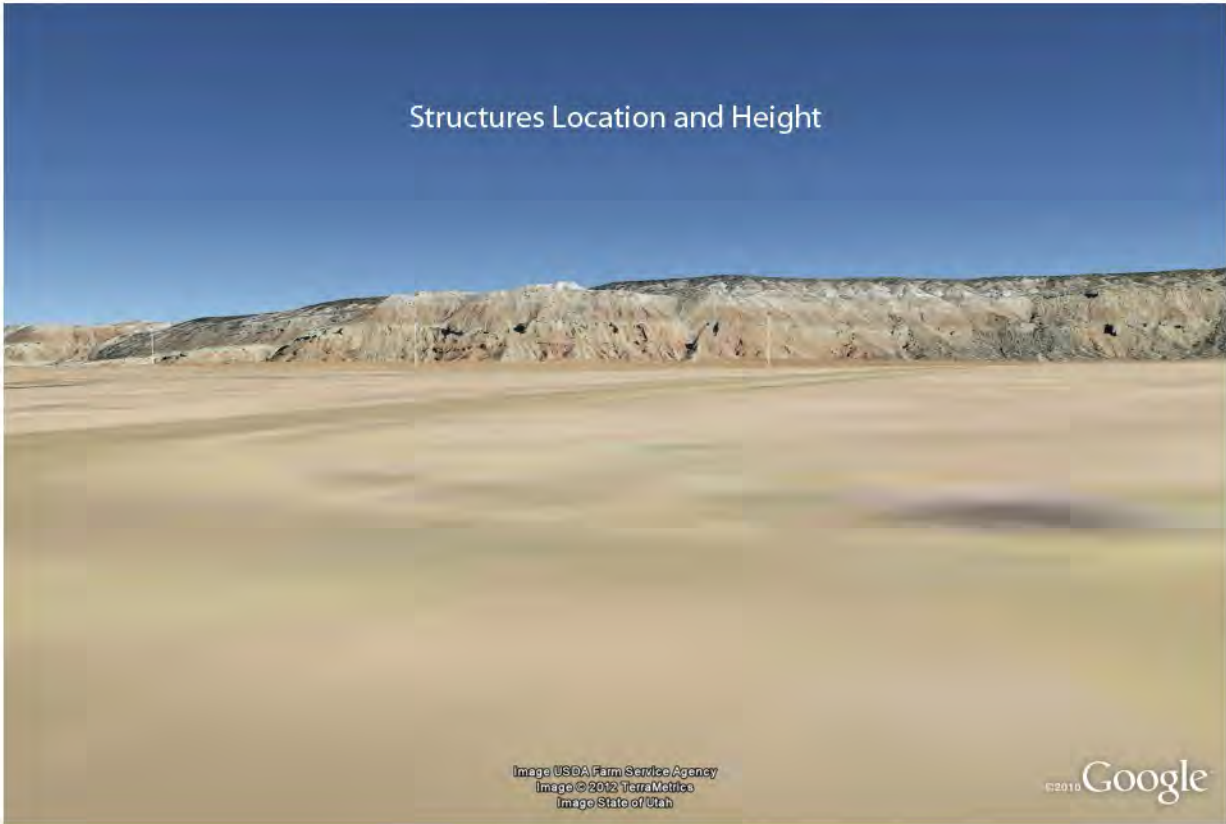
KOP P-53
Old Spanish National
Historic Trail
(San Rafael SW)
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Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
P-54

3. VRM Class
III

4. Location Junction of
Road to Buckhorn Wash
Township 19S
Range 10E
Section 13

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Flat, smooth, Cedar Mountain prominent in background	Short, patchy	Moderately tall, vertical
LINE	Horizontal	Angular, broken, diffuse edges	Vertical
COLOR	Tans, beiges	Gray-greens, dull	Brown
TEX-TURE	Fine grain	Even, medium grain	Fine grain, medium density, ordered

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM		Low, rectangular clearings (tower pads)	Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE		Indistinct, broken, regular	Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conduction.
COLOR		Sage greens, tans	Light silver to dark gray steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX-TURE		Fine grain	Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	
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	Color			X			X				X				
	Texture			X			X				X				
														Evaluator's Names EPG	Date 7/24/12
														(Review and update as needed by M. Paulson)	

Rationale:
Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would comply with VRM Class III management objects. Contrasts in these situations would be moderate or weak. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

Please refer to the table at the beginning of this Appendix for visual contrast rating analysis criteria and evaluations for this KOP.

Project Location

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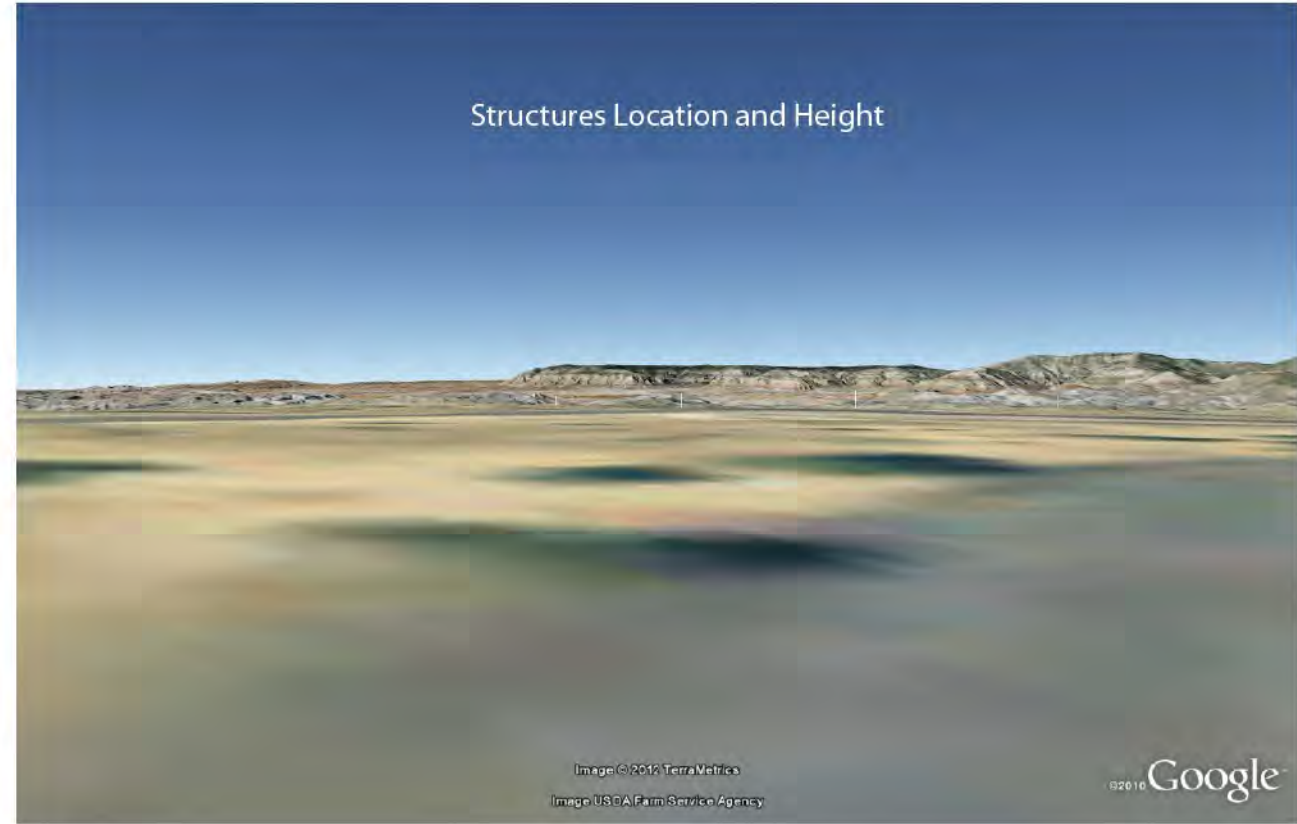
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KOP P-54
Junction of Road to
Buckhorn Wash
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Resource Area

Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
P-56

3. VRM Class
III

4. Location USHwy 6 Rest Area (Dino Diamond Byway)
Township 16S
Range 13E
Section 23

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Shallow to moderate slopes, rolling	Indistinct, amorphous, stippled	Moderately tall, vertical, geometric
LINE	Horizontal, diagonal, undulating	Indistinct, regular	Angular, concave, horizontal
COLOR	Trans	Dark greens, tans	Brown
TEX- TURE	Fine to medium grain	Medium grain, grouped	Medium grain, sparse

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM		NA	Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE		NA	Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductions.
COLOR		NA	Light silver to dark gray steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE		NA	Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)		
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)						
		Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None	Strong	Moderate	Weak	None			
Elements	Form				X				X	X				3. Additional mitigating measures recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)	Evaluator's Names EPG (Review and update as needed by M. Paulson)	Date 10/5/11 7/24/12
	Line				X				X	X						
	Color				X				X	X						
	Texture				X				X	X						

Rationale:
Where the Project visually parallels an existing transmission line, access roads, and vegetation clearing, the project would comply with VRM Class III management objects. Contrasts in these situations would be moderate or weak. Mitigation measures (VR-3, VR-6, and VR-7) would further reduce contrasts.

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Project Location

KOP Location

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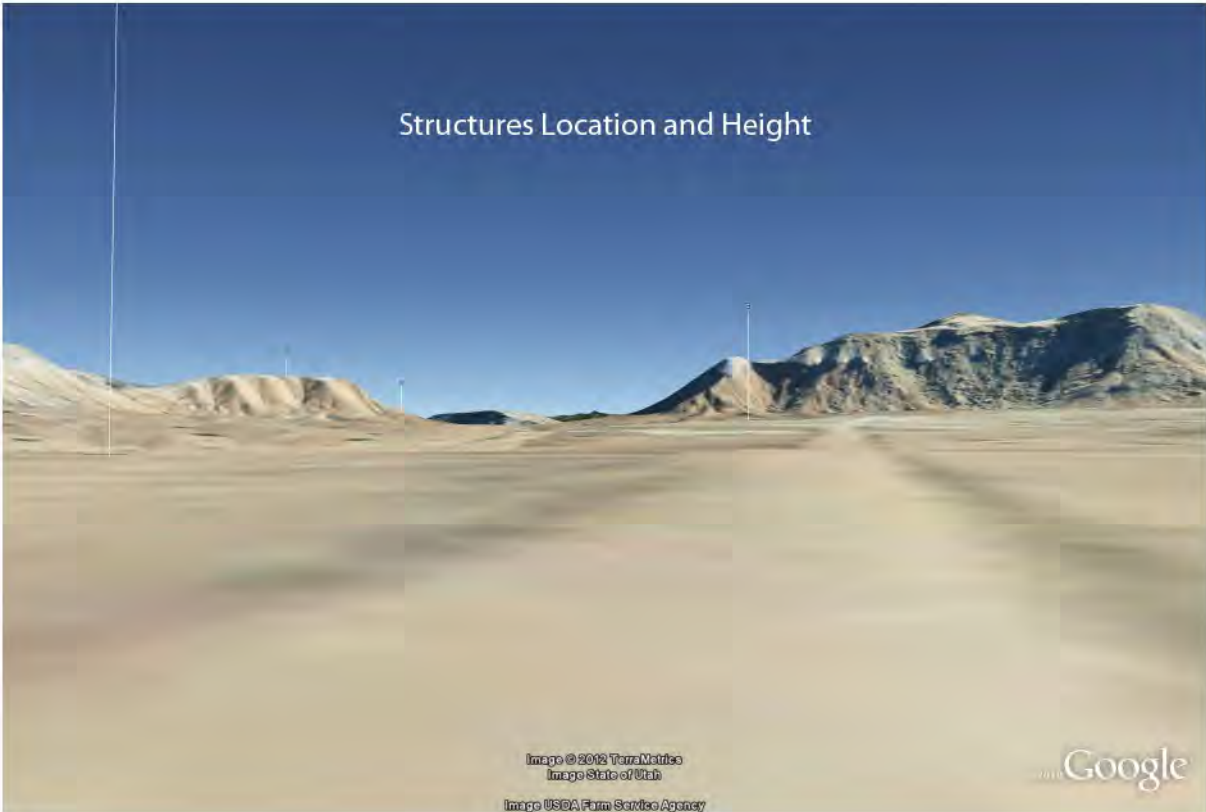
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U.S. Highway 6 Rest Area (Dinosaur Diamond Byway) (Segment 222.05)

Bureau of Land Management Western Area Power Administration



KOP Photograph



Structures Location and Height

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VISUAL CONTRAST RATING WORKSHEET

Date 7/24/12
District Price FO
Resource Area
Activity (program)

SECTION A. PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name
TransWest Express

2. Key Observation Point
P-57

3. VRM Class
III

4. Location Green River
Cutoff – Cty Rd 401.
Township 19S
Range 13E
Section 13

5. Location Sketch
Please see Figure 3.12-2

SECTION B. CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM	Bold vertical and horizontal planar and banding	Organic clumps of juniper and grasses	Planar roadway.
LINE	Vertical and horizontal	Indistint	Curvilinear roadway
COLOR	Light to dark tans, browns and grays	Light to medium tans and dark green	Light to medium brown
TEX- TURE	Smooth to coarse.	Medium to coarse	Smooth

SECTION C. PROPOSED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

	1. LAND/WATER	2. VEGETATION	3. STRUCTURES
FORM		Low, rectangular clearings (tower pads)	Pyramidal steel lattice structures and guys, and tubular conductors.
LINE		Indistinct, broken, regular	Vertical steel lattice structures, angular guys, and curvilinear conductions.
COLOR		Sage greens, tans	Light silver to dark gray steel lattice structures, guys, and conductors.
TEX- TURE		Fine grain	Coarse steel lattice structures, and smooth guys and conductors.

SECTION D. CONTRAST RATING

☐ SHORT TERM☒ LONG TERM

DEGREE OF CONTRAST		FEATURES												2. Does project design meet visual resource management objectives? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (Explain on reverse side)		
		LAND/WATER BODY (1)				VEGETATION (2)				STRUCTURES (3)						
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	Line												X			
	Color												X			
	Texture												X			
														Evaluator's Names M. Paulson	Date 7/24/12	

Rationale:
Where the Project would be located within 0.5 miles of the viewer and does not parallel an existing transmission line and/or where access roads and vegetation clearing would occur in moderate to steep terrain, it would have a strong contrast and would not comply with VRM Class III management objectives. Mitigation measures (VR-1 and VR-7) would reduce strong contrasts to moderate resulting in moderate to low residual impacts where the Project is located more than 0.5 miles away from viewer locations.

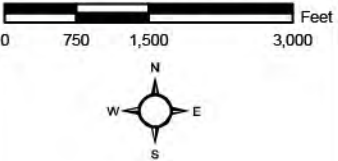
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Project Location



KOP Location



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Green River Cutoff
County Road 401
(Segment 225.2)

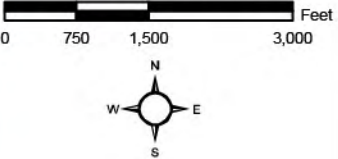




Project Location



KOP Location



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(Segment 225.2)

